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STRONG PROTEST AGAINST NEW TAXATION VOICED IN COUNCIL

MUSSOLINI CHEERED BY 100,000

44,000,000 ITALIANS IN UNISON

SPEECH INTERPRETED AS LAST DECISIVE MOVE

—CHINA MAIL—SPECIAL

Rome, To-day.

More than 10,000,000 Italians left their work promptly at 3.30 p.m. yesterday, when wireless, sirens on ships in port, buzzers on all factory buildings and the bells of all churches throughout the land and the colonies across the seas joined in a chorus, which was the preconcerted signal for "civil mobilisation," which the radio announcer said was to serve as a plebiscite to demonstrate that the whole Italian people endorses the decision for the expedition to East Africa, confirms the national desire for expansion and protests against the resistance offered by foreign Powers to the realisation of these plans.

All factories, offices and shops were closed, workers at once proceeding to their appointed places. Flags were hung out from every window, all the public buildings were illuminated, and trams and buses were filled.

Black Shirts, militia and soldiery in full uniform marched along the main thoroughfares, while the wireless broadcasted patriotic songs and warlike marches and raised the fervour of the crowds to white heat. Everywhere the multitude joined in the singing of the Fascist war songs.

The air was thick with aeroplanes circling over the heads of the demonstrators. Placards were quickly displayed in all prominent places, and reproduced the Duce's words: "A regime which is not an episode, but an epoch that does not bend before surfeited arrogance."

U.S. TO REMAIN NEUTRAL

Policy Reiterated By Roosevelt

San Diego, To-day.
Reiterating the United States' determination to remain neutral, President Roosevelt delivered a message to the "war-threatened world" in a speech at the California Pacific Exhibition yesterday.

He said it was not surprising that many of their citizens felt a deep sense of apprehension lest some nations repeated the folly of 20 years ago and dragged civilisation to a level from which world-wide recovery might be almost impossible. Despite what happens in the continents overseas the United States must remain unentangled and free.

They not only desired peace, but were moved by the stern determination to avoid the perils endangering their peace with the world. — Reuter.

MEMEL DIET ELECTIONS

Results To Be Issued Next Week

—CHINA MAIL—SPECIAL

Memel, To-day.
The counting of the votes cast in the Diet election promises to be an extremely slow procedure, and it is not expected that the results will be available before Tuesday of next week. Yesterday bundles of voting slips were opened and compared with the electoral lists, while to-day the slips will be scrutinised in order to determine which are valid. — Trans-Ocean Service.

This vast demonstration, organised entirely by the Fascist Party, aims at showing the world that all Italy is behind Signor Mussolini. By 6.15 p.m. every man, woman and youth was required to be in his place, all of them complying with the most perfect discipline.

Other cable messages regarding the Italo-Abyssinian dispute will be found on Page 9.

The climax was reached at 7 p.m., when Signor Mussolini began addressing the nation from the Palazzo Venezia, telling what the Government was about to undertake at this critical hour of the nation's history.

Mussolini's Speech

"Men and women of all Italy! Italians on the other side of the Alps and across the seas! Hear!" began Signor Mussolini, speaking from the historic balcony of the Palazzo Venezia to an immense Fascist demonstration of hundreds of thousands that stood wedged tightly shoulder to shoulder in the immense public square below.

"A solemn hour in the history of the fatherland is dawning. Twenty million Italians are assembled at this moment all over Italy. This is the most gigantic demonstration known in human history. Twenty millions of one heart, one will, one devotion."

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High Commissioner Amleto de Bono (left) of Eritrea and Italian Somaliland is responsible to the Duce for the safety of civilians and accurate reports of Ethiopian activities. "and the Duke of Bergamo, nephew of the King of Italy, has been assigned to a high command in East Africa."

NO EUROPEAN OFFENSIVE

BRITISH GOVERNMENT POLICY UPHELD

Overwhelming Vote At Labour Party Congress

—CHINA MAIL—SPECIAL
London, To-day.
A resolution in favour of sanctions was adopted by the Labour Party Congress at Brighton with the overwhelming majority of 2,168,000 votes to 102,000. Even those who expected the recent decision to the same effect taken by the Trade Union Congress at Margate to be confirmed by the Labour Party did not expect such an impressive demonstration of approval of the Government policy. — Trans-Ocean Service.

ITALIAN VIOLATION OF FRONTIER

NEGUS COMPLAINS TO LEAGUE

OBSERVERS ON THE SPOT REQUESTED

Addis Ababa, To-day.
The Negus, in a telegram to the League of Nations complaining at the Italian violation of the Ethiopian frontier south of Mount Moussa Ali, adds that the Italians are establishing a base in Ethiopian territory with the object of organising a big attack. It suggests that the League Council should send observers to the spot or obtain confirmation of the violation from the authorities of French Somaliland.

The Italian Legation is sending its archives to the railway station and is burning documents in the Legation garden.

TEXT CIRCULATED

Geneva: The text of the Negus's telegram is being circulated to all the members of the Council. An urgent meeting of the Council is likely to be held very soon.

CLASH AT MOUSSA ALI

Paris: Italian troops and Ethiopian irregulars clashed at Moussa Ali. Some dead are reported, according to a telegram to the newspaper *Soir* from Addis Ababa. — Reuter.

It is possible to call the Council at any time, as the Committee of Thirteen, which meets to-day to hear its report, comprises all the members of the Council except Italy and Ethiopia and in order to constitute a full Council, it is

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ASSURANCES REITERATED BY ITALIANS

Defensive Position In Mediterranean

FRANCE TO CONTINUE AS MODERATOR

Paris, To-day.
It is learned in semi-official circles that the Italian Ambassador, Signor Vittorio Cerutti, saw M. Pierre Laval, the French Prime Minister, yesterday, with the object of renewing the assurance that Italy in no case would take the initiative of an offensive in Europe. She would maintain a strictly defensive position in the Mediterranean if only economic sanctions and financial sanctions were applied.

It is stressed here that while Britain has made known that she will take no action, except collectively, France is not abandoning her moderate stand. Well-informed sources believe that sanctions would not be so excessive as to accentuate the international tension and that European complications in the Mediterranean therefore seem to be avoided. — Reuter.

MAJOR-GEN. CRAIG PROMOTED

Chief Of Staff In U.S. Army

Washington, To-day.
President Roosevelt has appointed Major-General Malin Craig Chief of Staff in the United States army in succession to General Douglas MacArthur, who is retiring on December 15 in order to organise the defences of the new Commonwealth Government of the Philippines.

WEATHER REPORT

An anticyclone is forming to the north of the Central Yangtze Valley. A shallow depression is moving north-eastward over the northern part of the Sea of Japan. The depression over Annam has filled up. A small depression is situated about 250 miles to the east of South Luzon, moving north-northwest. East and north-east winds, moderate, fine to cloudy was the forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

UNOFFICIALS NOT CONSULTED

KEEN RESENTMENT AROUSED

CIVIL SERVICE CUTS REMEDY FOR BUDGET DEFICIT

In his speech on behalf of the Unofficial Members of the Legislative Council at the Budget meeting this afternoon, the Senior Unofficial Member, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, after expressing appreciation at the "able and clear statement" of the Government regarding the Budget, proceeded to comment somewhat strongly on a part of the Colonial Secretary's Budget speech to which they "take the strongest exception." This concerned the steps contemplated in advance by the Government to combat either a sharp drop in the dollar or a serious decline in revenue or possibly both, in which case it might be necessary to devise some additional taxation.

Sir Henry objected most strongly to any such provisions, and maintained that any such deficits "ought to be made good exclusively in the salaries of civil servants," pointing out that the increases in such salaries gazetted in June, 1935, were very strongly opposed by the Unofficial Members at the time. Sir Henry also objected that the policy to be pursued in this matter had been sanctioned by the Secretary of State without the matter being brought to the notice of the Unofficials at all, which he said was unconstitutional.

The claim that local taxation is sufficiently onerous as it is in these times of depression was also strongly voiced by the Hon. Sir William Shenton and by the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, on behalf of the Unofficial Chinese Members. Dr. Kotewall also raised the point of the legitimate use of the surplus in such a time of stress as this, remarking that a "reserve which is eternally inviolate is a useless excrement."

The Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga dealt at length with the problems in Kowloon, and the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, on behalf of the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, advocated a reduction in certain charges on shipping and the postal services, and the abandonment of the separate Government telephone exchange.

The question of the recruitment of local Government servants in preference to those engaged on sterling salaries, both as a means to combat local unemployment among the better educated classes and as a measure of economy, was also touched on by two speakers.

Sir Henry Pollock's Speech

Addressing the Council, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock said:—"As the Senior Unofficial Member I have been asked by my colleagues to express our joint views upon the Budget for 1936."

"At the outset we congratulate the Colonial Secretary and Mr. Grantham (whose impending departure from the Colony we very much regret) upon the able and clear statement which has been laid before us regarding the Budget. We also thank the Colonial Treasurer for his lucid and informative Memorandum on our financial position, and the Director of Public Works for his notes on Public Works Extraordinary for 1936 and also for the information which he and his staff kindly gave us in Public Works Committee."

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SON BORN TO FRAU GOEBBELS

Berlin, To-day.—Fran Goebbels, the wife of the Minister of Propaganda, gave birth to a son yesterday afternoon. — Trans-Ocean Service.

Sir Wm. Shenton's Speech

Addressing the Council, the Hon. Sir William Shenton said:—"On a careful consideration of the Estimates, I am unable to take, in a measure, the same view of this Colony's financial position as my colleagues."

"In the preparation of a Colonial Budget the following principles are, I think, fundamental:—
(1) The Budget must be balanced.
(2) Where actual balancing is impracticable no effort must be neglected to reduce the annual deficit."

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Hon Mr. Paterson's Speech

Addressing the Council, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson said:—"In the absence from the Colony of the Hon. Mr. Bell I have been asked to say on behalf of the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, which he represents, that the Committee finds itself in general agreement with the observations made in this debate by the Hon. Sir William Shenton."

"The speech of the Honourable



The Hon. Sir William Shenton, Kt., LL.D., issued a grave warning this afternoon against the continual dipping into the Colony's financial reserves.

Hon. Dr. Kotewall's Speech

Addressing the Council, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall said:—"I shall, as I did last year, abstain from comments on individual items in the Estimates, but confine myself to broad principles of budgeting and general policy of administration. In my observations on these points my Chinese colleagues have expressed concurrence."

NEW TAXATION
"The Honourable Senior Unofficial Member has voiced the united and strong views of the unofficial body on the subject of possible new taxation. As the Chinese community pays over 90 per cent. of the Colony's taxes, I make no apology for offering a few additional remarks on this important subject. The statement in this regard, which Your Excellency considered it necessary to make at the last meeting of this Council, has caused the community grave concern; for it is already taxed to capacity, if not beyond it, and any new tax-burdens may be the last straw."

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Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga's Speech

Addressing the Council, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga said:—"Two statements in the Colonial Secretary's Budget Speech appear to me to conflict; they call for some explanation. The first is that 'on the instructions of the Secretary of State six more opium shops would be opened.' There are at present seven such shops. The Colonial Treasurer disputes the forecast of the revenue derivable from the sale of opium. He asserts that the opium monopoly still declines and the estimate for 1936 is perhaps 'rather optimistically placed at \$300,000.' It is regrettable that the Colony is going to increase the number of its opium shops. It is a decision that, in the opinion of many, is

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MAIL SCHEDULES

The Hong Kong Postal Guide of 1935 is now on sale at the General Post Office and Central Post Office, Kowloon.

AIR MAIL

Imperial Airways via Singapore
Bandong-Amsterdam via Singapore
Saigon-Marseilles via Saigon
Singapore-Australia

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HONG KONG GOVERNMENT
RADIO TELEGRAPH SERVICE

It is hereby notified that from the first day of September 1935 the charges for telegrams will be collected at the rate of Dollar 0.68 to equal Gold Franc 1.00.

GOVERNMENT RADIO
TELEGRAPH SERVICE

It is hereby notified that from the first of September 1935 Night Letter Telegrams (NLT) expressed in Plain Language may be exchanged between Hong Kong and Great Britain at one-third of the Full Ordinary Rate with a minimum charge for 25 words. These telegrams will be delivered on the morning after the date of despatch. Further information may be obtained at the Radio Office.

INWARD MAILS.

FROM EUROPE

Hector 12

FROM U.S.A.

Pres. Jackson 4
Emp. of Russia 9
Pres. Van Buren 11

FROM JAPAN

Nagata Maru 3
Pres. Jackson 4
Africa Maru 4
Rajputana 4
Tatsuta Maru 4
Brisbane Maru 6
Lima Maru 6
Toba Maru 7
Emp. of Russia 9
Tango Maru 10
Pres. Van Buren 11
Hakone Maru 11
General Lee 11

FROM SHANGHAI

Pres. Jackson 4
Rajputana 4
Tatsuta Maru 4
Andre Lebon 8
Memnon 8
Emp. of Russia 9
Burdwan 11
Pres. Van Buren 11
Mirzapore 11
Hakone Maru 11
General Lee 11

FROM MANILA

Pres. Coolidge 4
Nellore 5

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

Suisang 3
Conte Verde 3
Penang Maru 3
Pyrrhus 7
Dakar Maru 10
Hakozaki Maru 11

FROM AUSTRALIA

Nellore 5
Changte 11

OUTWARD MAILS

FOR EUROPE

Emp. of Canada (via Siberia) 3
Closes: Reg. 4.15 p.m. Ord. 5 p.m.

Conte Verde (via Siberia) 3
Closes: Reg. 4.15 p.m. Ord. 5 p.m.

Tantalus (via Victoria) 4
Closes: Reg. 9 a.m. Ord. 9.30 a.m.

Rajputana (via Marseilles Air Mail Service) 4
Closes: Reg. 9 a.m. Ord. 9.30 a.m.

Pres. Coolidge (via San Francisco) 4
Closes: Reg. 4.15 p.m. Ord. 5 p.m.

Marchal Joffre (via Siberia) 5
Closes: Reg. 9 a.m. Ord. 9.30 a.m.

Andre Lebon (Marseilles Air Mail Service) 8
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Women's Page

"TALLY HO" RED THE
NEW COLOURAutumn Silhouette
Is SlimDRAPED EFFECTS FOR THE
EVENING

The colours for autumn travel clothes are four rich "Gipsy" browns bordering on chocolate.

For the evening there are both rich and bright tones. One of these is "Tally Ho," a bright flame shade.

"Pink lilac" which is almost like a "rose moutant" and "pink ash," an exquisite soft pink shade, are two specially good pastel tones for night wear.

And now for the autumn silhouette.

Norman Hartnell, who holds his first parade of winter designs has given some advance news.

He is sponsoring the peg-top silhouette—that is to say, the slimmest possible skirts with peg-top coats of many different designs.

Fur Popular

Flat fur trimmings will be much used on coats and capes.

For evening and afternoon wear Mr. Hartnell is relying on draped effects to give the new line, and the colours and materials are gorgeous. Italian reds and Madonna blues are his first choice.

Altogether Norman Hartnell is preparing for an extravagant winter season to follow the summer Jubilee gaiety. All his evening dresses have their matching coats. (Continued at foot of next Col.)

FOR JAPAN

Cathay 3
Emp. of Canada 3
Tantalus 4
Pres. Coolidge 4

FOR U.S.A.

Emp. of Canada 3
Tantalus 4
Pres. Coolidge 4

FOR STRAITS

Africa Maru 4
Rajputana (Air Mail) 4
Nankin 4
Kumsang 8

FOR MANILA

Pres. Jackson 5
Emp. of Russia 10

FOR SHANGHAI

Cathay 3
Emp. of Canada 3
Conte Verde 3
Tantalus 4
Pres. Coolidge 4

FOR AUSTRALIA

Nankin 4

VIA SIBERIA—Letters and post-cards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superimposed.

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or capes—some long, some short—and he is using rich lames and materials in brown and black run with gold and silver threads for day-time frocks.



Before midday loses all that lovely tan she has acquired during the summer, she will want to wear something like this, a sun-back evening gown of maroon velvet. Una Merkel, screen actress, dons the model, which is trimmed with brilliant buttons.

TALCUM ESSENTIAL
AT SEA

Curing Brittle Nails

TAKE CARE OF YOUR
BLOOD ALSO

Take plenty of talcum powder with you on a sea trip, otherwise the sea air may make your skin feel unpleasantly sticky. Powder is also soothing for the feet and will stop soft-corns forming between the toes.

If your finger nails get brittle, soak them in oil at night time. Take an odd, loose-fitting right-hand glove if you mean to play deck tennis, otherwise the hard rope rings may break your nails and blister your hand. Another necessity is a pair of darkened glasses to wear when sunbathing. Without this protection the glare of the sea is likely to strain your eyes and end in ugly wrinkles.

Take with you a blood-cooling medicine, such as fruit salts or milk of magnesia, in case the sudden changes of climate bring you out in a heat rash or spots. And do not overdo your gaieties if you do not want to be too tired to enjoy life to the full. The few minutes snatched from amusing yourself for a quiet rest after lunch or before dinner are repaid with generous interest in the new zest they give you.

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XMAS SHOPPING IN
MIDSUMMERHow Residents In East
Africa PrepareORDERS THREE MONTHS
BEFORE HAND

Midsummer may be early for Christmas shopping, but the little community in the foothills of a mountain range some thirty miles from the Red Sea and almost uncomfortably close to Abyssinia must take things as they find them. Unlike the natives, the Europeans are not content with fashions fully 10 years out of date. But they are granted an insight into the coming fashions from the advance catalogues mailed from leading houses in London, Paris, and New York, and this part of the Christmas shopping is not so difficult as it might appear.

It may even be that the ordinary Christmas shopping presents less difficulty than at home. A big variety is offered, but orders must be sent off in time to reach the European or American stores not later than the middle of August, because the packing cases which will be sent out do not travel as fast as a letter and may occupy three full months on the journey, and no greater calamity could occur than that they are looked for early in December. Turkey (timed, of course), plum-puddings and Christmas crackers, and all the materials for making up the usual festive season fare are much in the community's minds during this hottest month of the year.

Forms And Flies
Order forms are filled in while the flies (the worst of many plagues) swarm across the paper and do battle right under the point of the nib. A motor-car will carry the orders down to the coast. Not along roads but across the firm yellow sand where no semblance of a track exists and where for a good part of the journey the driver, like the captain of a ship, will steer by compass until at length some well-known landmarks will lead him on to the rough road which runs down to the coast.

USE OF GOLD AND SILVER

Few ornaments are being shown this season, and girdles are usually of gold and silver cords or braids. These heavy belts may be knotted at the closing of the draped collar at the back, or caught up on the left shoulder. Others indicate a similar secular inspiration, carried out in gilded leather, with sections cut in the form of arabesques or with applications in vivid colours. Many girdles boast large stones, or ornaments in coloured enamel. Others employ tracings of filigreed gold.

A MANICURE PROBLEM

Varnish is not to blame for brittle nails and dry cuticles, but varnish remover may be. The old-fashioned ones are inclined to dry both the nails and cuticles. In future, you must use the oily type of remover, and rub a little cuticle oil into your cuticles each night.

WORK IS EASIER NOW
FAT HAS GONETook Off 28 lbs. With
Kruschen

"I was so stout about 11 months ago," a woman writes, "that I became a burden to myself. Then muscular rheumatism set into my joints, and I had to go on sticks for some time. Then I started to take Kruschen Salts, and I am overjoyed with the results I have derived from them. Honestly, I had no idea one could feel so different in such a short time. Since taking Kruschen, I have lost nearly 28 lbs. of superfluous fat. I can now run about as well as when I was 20, cook, work, and attend to seven growing children."—(Mrs.) G.H.

Unlike certain drastic drugs, Kruschen does not aim to reduce by rushing food through the body; its action is not confined to a single part of the system. It has a tonic influence upon every organ of elimination, every gland, every nerve, every vein. Gently, but surely, it rids the system of all fat-forming refuse of all poisons and harmful acids which give rise to rheumatism, digestive disorders, and many other ills.

CLEANING A TYPE
OF UPHOLSTERYPlain Soap And Water
Is Best

Plain soap and water will clean mohair velvet upholstery. Simply rub the surface (with the pile never against it) with a small brush or heavy cloth that is covered with thick suds. Use a clean, damp cloth to remove the soap and then wipe with a dry cloth. While the fabric is still damp, brush with a whisk-broom. When it has dried, brush again.

USES OF EAU DE COLOGNE

Eau de Cologne can be used in many ways. For a scalp or body friction; diluted with rose water for a skin tonic; rubbing the feet; for a quick facial cleanse. A few drops added to a tumbler of water makes a refreshing mouth wash.

VELVET COAT—MAKES
ITS DEBUT

Among the new fashions that is making its debut in the North of Britain and will come South for autumn is the velvet coat, which in this case is in black worn over a woollen frock striped in autumn shades.

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"INTRA-THERMAL"THE GLORIOUS NEW
PERMANENT WAVES

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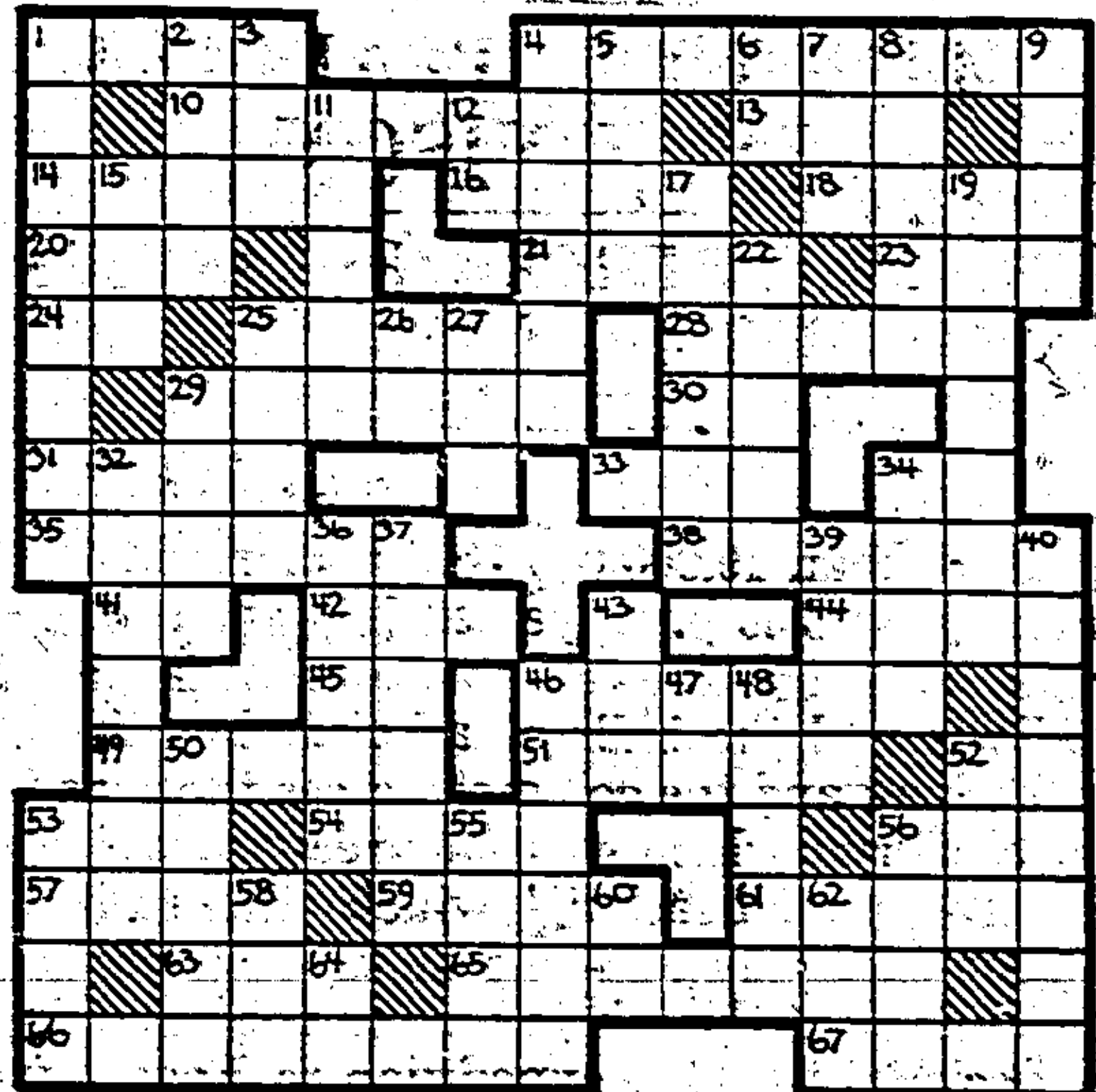
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and alibi.



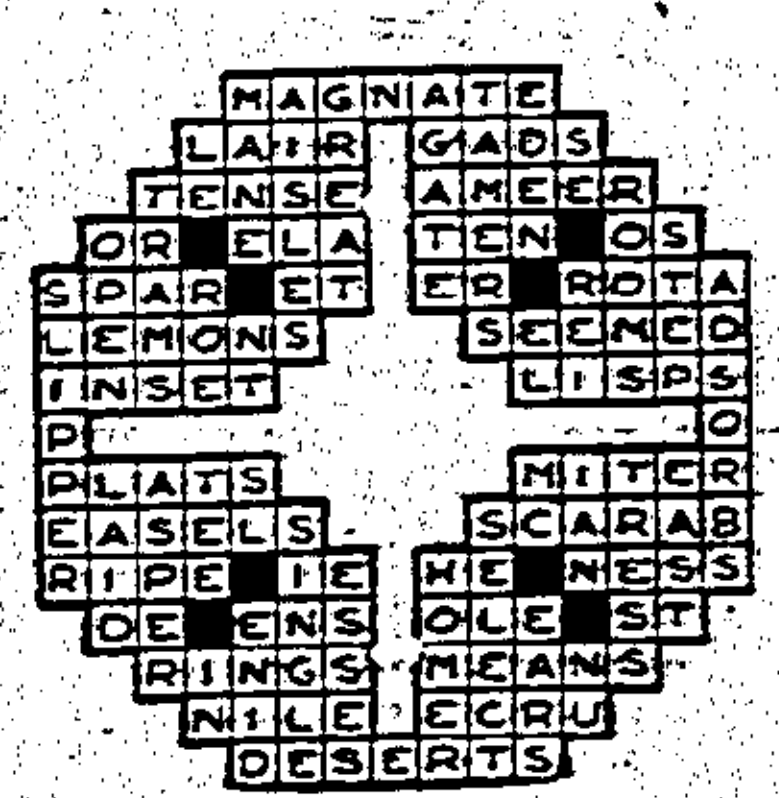
HORIZONTAL	HORIZONTAL (Cont.)	VERTICAL (Cont.)
1-Answer	56-Human being	22-River in N. W.
4-Saved from a wreck	57-Unoccupied	23-France
10-Records	59-Wander	25-Wisdom
13-Metric land measure	61-Choose	26-South latitude
14-View	63-Epoch	(abbr.)
16-Melody	65-Bestows by will	27-Half a score
18-Finish line at a race	66-Perfumes	28-Deep holes
20-Small movable bed	67-Fine rock particles	32-Baked
21-Dines		34-Pronoun
22-Crimson		36-Girl's name
24-You and me		37-More precious
25-Spend		38-Cat
28-Torment		40-Occupied
29-Small mean bed		43-Unit
30-Three-toed sloth		46-Wooded park
31-Ireland		47-Ordinance Depart-
33-Noise		ment (abbr.)
34-Pronoun		48-A length measure
35-Spotted		(pl.)
36-Most recent		50-Islands (poet.)
41-Because		52-An ocean (abbr.)
42-Guided		53-Heap
44-Scottish language		55-Traversed in a
45-Musical note		vehicle
46-Dwarfs		56-Broad, high table-
49-Wild animal		land
51-Dip again		58-Before
52-Fish-like organ		60-Type measure
53-Fish-like organ		62-The (fr.)
54-A Roman emperor		64-Indefinite article

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

RULES FOR APPLYING
POWDERHow To Minimise A
Feature

There are tricks in applying powder, long known to experts in theatrical make-up, but for some reason overlooked by the average woman. First pat on powder generously, then smooth it off, using a downward stroke. Powder carefully the indentations around the nose. Never powder the upper eyelids. Smooth out the skin between lines and crows-feet as you powder. It helps to conceal them. Put less powder or powder of a darker shade on a large nose; square jaw, or any feature you wish to minimise, and powder more heavily or with lighter powder features you wish to play up.

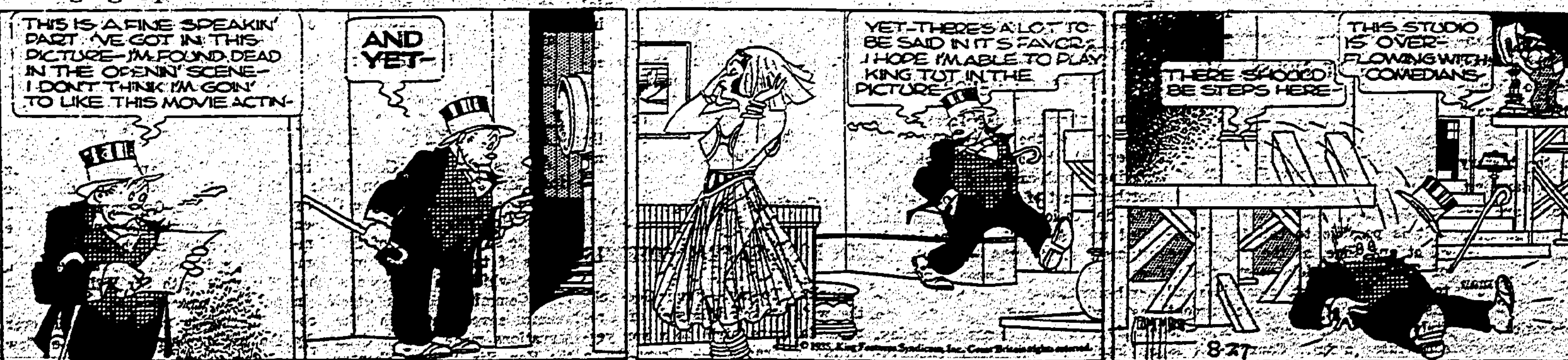
YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



HIDING STRAP MARKS

To disguise strap marks, left on the shoulder after sun-bathing, when wearing evening dress rub some grease paint or a greasiness bronze cream over the marks. Work it well in with the fingers and dust it over with a sun tan powder.

Bringing Up Father



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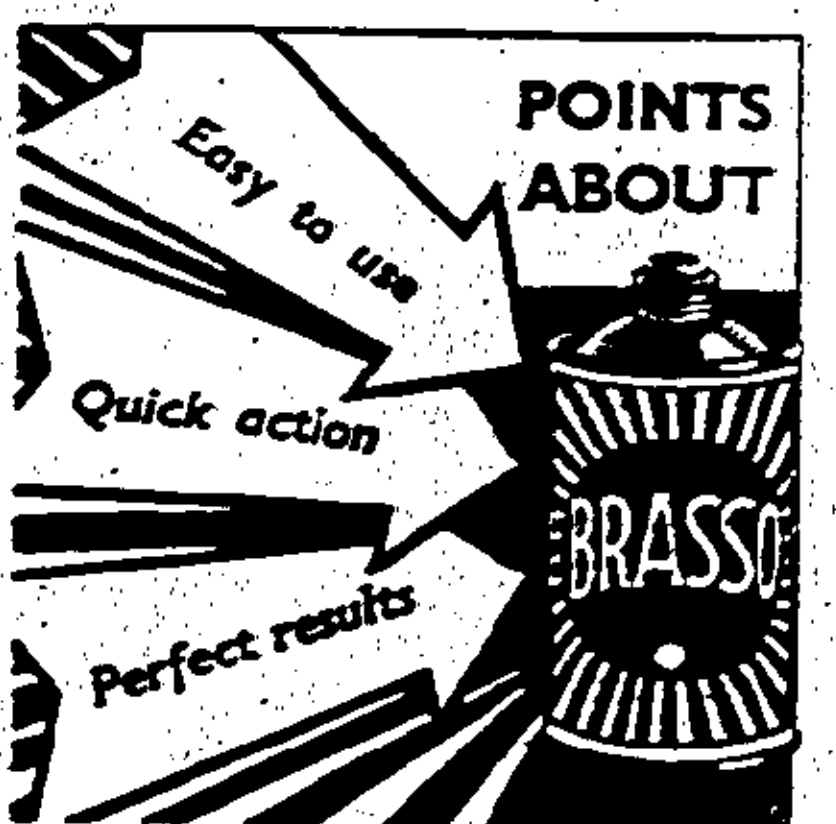
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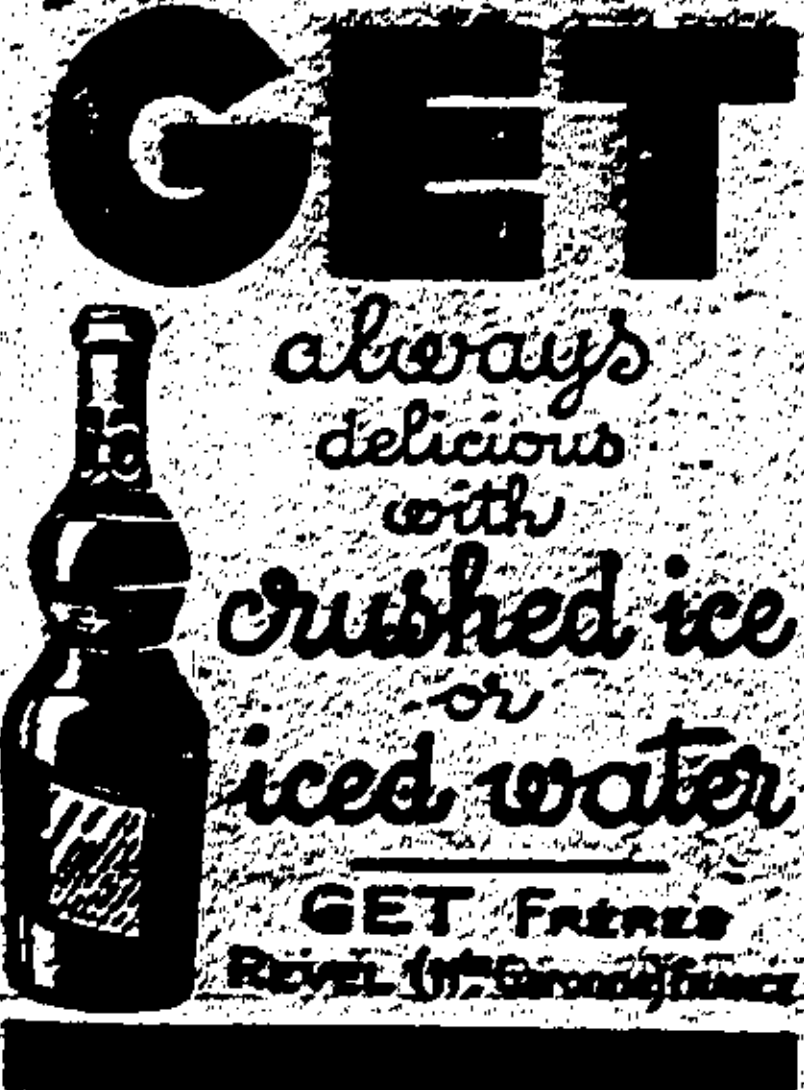
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BRIDGE NOTES

SPEED

By Ely Culbertson

The wily declarer has any number of advantages and one of them is the ability to think faster than the opponents. It is a well-known fact that one of the best ways of securing necessary tricks when no other line of play offers much chance, is to give the enemy an opportunity to make a mistake. This is commonly done by putting them into the lead before they have an accurate picture of the hand. It can also be done by playing the hand as if there were no problem to lure opponents into careless play.

In to-day's hand declarer decided that speed offered him his best chance to make a difficult contract.

South Dealer
North and South vulnerable

North
S—10 7
H—A K Q 7 6
D—10 8
C—A Q J 10

West—
S—Q 4
H—10 5 4 3
D—K 9 2
C—9 5 4 3

East—
S—J 6 5
H—J 8 2
D—Q 7 6 5
C—K 7 6

South—
S—A K 9 8 3 2
H—9
D—A J 4 3
C—8 2

The bidding:
South West North East
1S. Pass 3H. Pass
2S. Pass 4C. Pass
4D. Pass 4H. Pass
4S. Pass 6S. Pass
Pass Pass

The Play
The opening lead was a small club, and good play dictated that declarer finesse. East, won with the King and returned a low diamond, and South played the Ace. It was necessary to lose no trump tricks.

There were three possibilities of running the trumps without loss. One was a doubleton Queen-Jack in either hand; another was three to the Queen-Jack in the East hand, so that the double finesse would work; and the last depended upon East making a mistake.

Declarer decided that he might well combine the shot for the doubleton Queen-Jack with a play upon the opponents. He, therefore, led a club round, after taking the diamond Ace, discarded a diamond on the third club, and led a fourth round of clubs. All these plays being made very quickly. East, of course, could have slowed up at this point and given thought before playing to the fourth club. But not being a very careful player, he decided in a split second that it was imperative not to permit declarer to get another discard on the fourth round of clubs, and foolishly trumped with a small spade. Declarer overruffed with the eight-spot and the Ace and King of spades drew all of the trumps.

If East had stopped to think he would have realised that three top hearts were available to declarer for discards as well as the clubs and that even if it were necessary to trump, the ruff with the Jack would be the better play.



A burglar with a sense of art values raided the society showplace of Mrs. Helen Hirschow, above, at Golden Bridge in exclusive Westchester, New York. Jewels and furs, in addition to two valuable paintings, were taken by the phantom burglar.

Amusements

Cinema Notes

"THE SECRET BRIDE"—QUEEN'S THEATRE

A thrilling court-room scene, in which the State Governor is being tried on a charge of accepting a \$10,000 bribe, provides the highlight of "The Secret Bride."

Heading the stellar cast is lovely Barbara Stanwyck, who, with the help of Warren William, the State Attorney, carries on an unrelenting fight to save the honour of her father.

Miss Stanwyck and William are secretly married. A man is murdered and as she is the only one who saw the crime she is sought by the police as a material witness.

Her attempts to hide the fact that she is already married only make matters worse, until the whole thing eventually ends as one of the greatest scandals of the century.

"TIMES SQUARE LADY"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

Drama that thunders across the screen with the speed of a runaway locomotive; comedy that fairly crackles with brittle wit and romance with that unmistakably whimsical flavour, are the principal elements of "Times Square Lady."

Virginia Bruce, as a young Iowa girl suddenly precipitated into the turmoil of Metropolitan night life, adds immeasurably to her laurels and seems certain to attain stardom in her own right.

"Times Square Lady" tells of a girl's fight to retain her dead father's important holdings in the sporting world of New York. The story is told with rapid-fire drama interpolated with comedy.

Quarry Bay School To Hold Sale Of Work On Saturday

From a desire to help the poor etc., while coffee, ices and tea will be served. The stalls will include work done by the school children and by parents and friends, a bargain counter, a fine first effort of its kind which the School has undertaken. The proceedings will start at 10.30 a.m. with a drill display to be followed at 11 o'clock by the prize distribution and the opening of the sale by Lady MacGregor.

There will be many attractions at the sale, including a shooting gallery, fortune-telling, brain tub

MARTIAL LAW DECLARED IN BULGARIA

HUGE CONSPIRACY UNEARTHED

ATTEMPT TO DETHRONE THE KING

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL Sofia, To-day.

Martial law has been declared throughout the whole of Bulgaria, according to a communique issued to the press by the Premier, General Zlateff, at noon yesterday, which stated that the Government had taken the measure in consequence of the discovery of a "dangerous and carefully prepared revolutionary conspiracy, organised mainly by adherents of the "Swena" Party, which had already taken an active part in the attempted coup d'état on May 19 last year.

The principal organiser of the attempted uprising is Colonel Damian Weltschew, who is living in exile abroad and unexpectedly arrived in Sofia yesterday by motor-car and was immediately arrested. Numerous other persons including the former Financial Minister, M. Todoroff, were also taken into custody yesterday forenoon.

CONSIDERABLE ALARM

Considerable alarm was caused by the official announcement that the notorious Agrarian Communist Usanoff had invaded Bulgarian territory with a large band of emigres in order to stir up the population of the border districts and support the attempted revolution. Several detachments of police have been despatched to the border, but have not yet succeeded in locating Usanoff's band. It is stated that the conspirators aimed not only at overthrowing the Government, but also at dethroning the King. The celebrations which were planned to take place here to-day in honour of the anniversary of the King's accession, as well as of Bulgaria's declaration of independence, have been postponed.—Trans-Ocean Service.

9.15-9.30 p.m.—Five Songs by Richard Crooks (Tenor).
1. A Dream of Paradise (Gray).
2. My Song goes round the world.
3. O Song Divine.
4. Only my Song (Lehar).
5. Tell me to-night (Spelkowsky).
9.30-10 p.m.—Dance Music.
10 p.m.—Big Ben: Reuter Press Bulletins.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.E.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (845 K.C.'s).

RELAY OF HONG KONG HOTEL DANCE ORCHESTRA

Z.E.K. Programme
12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Recorded Programme.

1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletin, Rugby Press News, etc.

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
2.30 p.m.—European Programme.
5-7 p.m.—Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra.

7-7.30 p.m.—A Concert.
Pianoforte Solo—
Hungarian Rhapsody No. 11 (Liszt).

Feux D'Artifice (Debussy)
Songs—
Solweig's Song ("Peer Gyn") (Grieg)

Lo, Here the Gentle Lark (Elshop)
Mavis Bennett (Soprano).
Songs—
Castles in the Air

Always ("Furiant Lullaby")
Derek Oldham (Tenor).
Cello Solo—
Piece en Forme de Habanera (Ravel)

Cortege (Gaubert)
M. Maurice Marechal.
7.30-7.47 p.m.—Talkie Tunes.
Selection—The Gold Diggers of Broadway

Selection—Merry Widow (Lehar)
7.47-8 p.m.—Vocal Items.
Maybe I'm Wrong again
Another one gone

Norah Blaney and Gwen Farrar.
Let's lay our heads together
("Jill Darling")
I'd do the most extraordinary things
("Jill Darling")

Frances Day and Arthur Riscoe.
8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report; Closing Local Stock Quotations.

8.05-10.30 p.m.—Chinese Studio Concert.
10.30 p.m.—Close Down.
8.05-10 p.m.—European Programme from Z.E.K. on a frequency of 640 kilocycles.

8.05-8.18 p.m.—Harry Roy and his Tiger-Ragamuffins.
1. Shine; My Sweetie went away; Sweet Jenny Lee.

2. Farewell Blues; You Kascal You; Moody Waters.
2. Fox-Trot Medley (Slow Tempo)
4. Fox-Trot Medley (Fast Tempo).

8.18-8.35 p.m.—Song Memories.
Form Four—War Songs Medley
50 Years of Song (A Selection of Historical Song Successes)

8.35-9 p.m.—Orchestra Music.
Pacific 221 (Honegger)
Orpheus et Eurydice—Ballet (Gluck)

Orpheus in the Underworld Overture (Offenbach)
9-9.15 p.m.—A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by

THE PRIVATE LIFE OF DON JUAN—MAJESTIC THEATRE

Douglas Fairbanks was never better than in his role of the most famous lover of all time, Don Juan. The picture, which is a British production, starts with a magnificent scene showing how the women of Madrid rejoiced when the news spread that he was in town.

When a young man, who is masquerading in the role of the famous lover, is shot down by an irate husband, the real Don Juan decides to keep his true identity a secret. He tires of his nomadic and secluded life, however, and tries to stage a comeback. The tears that greet him when he announces his real name make him realise for the first time that it was his name and not his personality and charm that made him so attractive to women.

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TRIUMPHS AGAIN

Hard-upon the heels of the announcement of "ROYAL'S" CONSECUTIVE WINS in the London, News Chronicle "Amateur Typewriting Contest For Great Britain," comes the news of Albert Tangora's Triumph in the "WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP CONTEST" held at Chicago on the 29th June 1935, winning the championship, in competition with expert operators of other makes of typewriters, with a STOCK (NON-PRIMED) MODEL ROYAL TYPEWRITER.

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Sporting Page



ARMY HOLD CANTON FOOTBALLERS TO DRAW AT SOOKUNPOO



"Darkie" Chen, the Athletic and Canton soccer player, above, gave a brilliant performance against the Army in yesterday's friendly game.

YEUNG SAU KING SETS NATIONAL AQUATIC MARK

Chan Chan-hing Wins In Record Time

CHINESE SWIMMERS TRIUMPH AGAINST SHANGHAI "Y"

Shanghai, To-day.

Miss Yeung Sau-king, "Mermaid of China," set a new National record for 50 Metres when she negotiated the distance in 36.7-10 seconds in the encounter between the Foreign Y.M.C.A. and the Combined Hong Kong and Shanghai Chinese swimmers for the National Games here last night.

Miss Yeung met with almost no opposition, otherwise she might have considerably bettered her time. No foreign ladies competed in this event.

Britton gave a glimpse of his true form when he beat Chan Chan-hing over 50 Metres to reverse the recent interport decision, but the surprise of the evening was provided by Starkovsky, who fully extended Chan Chan-hing over the 100 Metres, a new record being set up as a result.

The following were the results:

50 Metres

1. Britton (Y.M.C.A.)

2. Chan Chan-hing

3. Paget (Y.M.C.A.)

Time: 29.1-10 secs.

100 Metres Breast-Stroke

1. Woo Kow-sung

2. Chung San-kun

3. Kan Yee-lin

Time: 1:31.0

100 Metres Back-Stroke

1. Chang Kai-him

2. Hui San-keung

3. Chau Sau-kan

Time: 1:26.4

200 Metres Free Style Relay

1. Foreign (Y.M.C.A.)

Time: 1:57.6

Water Polo

Chinese won by 4 goals to 2.

—Reuter.

WORLD SERIES BASEBALL

Cubs Draw First Blood Against Tigers

Detroit, To-day.

Beaten by 4 matches to 3 by St. Louis Cardinals in last year's World Series, Detroit Tigers yesterday lost their first clash against Chicago Cubs, National League pennant winners, by a 3 to 0 margin.

The second match will be held on the Detroit diamond to-day and the next three games in Chicago. — Reuter.

COMBINED SERVICES BEAT LONDON AT RUGBY

London, To-day.—London lost to the Combined Services by 18 points to 12 in the Jubilee Fund rugby match yesterday. — Reuter.

RECREIO AND CLUB IN HOCKEY DRAW

PORTUGUESE XI'S SPEED HAS TELLING EFFECT

GONSALVES AND POTE HUNT IN LIMELIGHT

A FAST and exciting game of hockey was witnessed at King's Park yesterday afternoon between the Recreio and the Hong Kong Hockey Club, resulting in a draw of one goal each. The Recreio were decidedly the faster of the two teams, and had it not been for the fine defensive measures of the Club, victory might have gone to the Portuguese team.

Gonsalves, the Recreio left-half, was very much to the fore throughout the game, although he shone particularly during the first quarter. He was responsible for some excellent spoiling.

Pote-Hunt, who scored for the Club, had a successful afternoon, and, although the general standard of play was high, in comparison he was quite outstanding. On yesterday's showing he had an inclination to be rather erratic when passing.

RIFLE SHOOT AT KOWLOON CITY

Cheetham and Sheen Win Spoons

In spite of unfavourable weather conditions, keen shooting was seen at the spoon and practice shoot held by the Hong Kong Rifle Association on the Kowloon City range yesterday afternoon.

There were only two spoon winners yesterday; they were C.Q.M.S. Cheetham with a score of 84 (S.R. (a) rifles), and S.I.M. Sheen with a score of 90 (S.R. (b) rifles).

Details results of yesterday's shoot are as follows:

S.R. (a) Rifles	Score at 600 yds.	Score at 300 yds.	Aggregate
Cheetham	28	28	56
Cpl. Powell	25	27	52
Spr. Over	25	25	50
Spr. Mann	26	28	54
Lieut. Pastullo	27	28	55
L/Cpl. Peters	28	29	57
Spr. Stone	22	26	48
Spr. Downing	23	28	51
Spr. Daniels	19	27	46

S.R. (b) Rifles	Score at 600 yds.	Score at 300 yds.	Aggregate
S.I.M. Sheen	33	30	63
L/Sgt. Holmes	26	31	57
Sgt. Wileston	27	30	57
Pte. Green	27	32	59
Cpl. Johnson	31	36	67
R.Q.M.S. Otley	19	31	50

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Another player who played a good game for the Portuguese was B. Gosano, whose speed was a great asset.

McKay, the Club's right wing, was not seen at his best at the commencement of the game, and although he did improve latter, he was inclined to be a little slow in getting to the ball. He displayed some good stickwork, however, when in possession.

On several occasions the Recreio were unlucky in their shooting, as they often missed the goal by the smallest of margins.

Portuguese Score

After rushing the Club goal several times the Recreio opened the scoring about midway through the first half through Beltrao.

The Club retaliated in the second half, Pote Hunt equalising.

Kilbee received a nasty knock from a stick during the latter half of the game, but he was able to continue after a brief period off the field.

Recreio: Faria; Remedios and Botelho; Alves, Gonsalves and Basto; Nolasco, B. Gosano, Beltrao, Xavier and A. Botelho.

Hong Kong Hockey Club: Kilbee; B. Tate and Potter; Cotesworth, E. V. Reed and Summer; Mackay, Pote Hunt, Divett and W. A. Reed.

Ayres and Powell, threequarters, have a good knowledge of the game and can handle well, while Dean, a forward, is also a useful newcomer.

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CANTON FOOTBALLERS TO MEET ST. JOSEPH'S

Match At First Cancelled But Confirmed Later

The Canton Football Team which shared two goals with the Army yesterday at Sookunpoo, will meet the St. Joseph's Football Club this afternoon on the Causeway Bay ground, commencing at 5 p.m. sharp.

The game was originally cancelled, but was confirmed, late last night, this being due to the uncertain movements of the Canton Football team.

CLUB HOLD SUCCESSFUL RUGBY TRIAL

MANY NEWCOMERS ON VIEW

INTERPORTER TO PLAY CRICKET

A very successful rugby trial game was held by the Rugby section of the Hong Kong Football Club yesterday at the Valley when nearly 30 players were on view, several newcomers making their first appearance.

All the players were given an opportunity and sides, Colours and Whites, were selected, the latter eventually winning by 5 tries and a dropped goal (19 points) to three tries (9 points).

Among the newcomers on display was Dunnett, a promising hooker, and Butcher, who played for the Harlequins Extra "A" fifteen. The latter is a very good fly-half. Humphreys, a Shanghai Interport wing-forward, was also on display and gave a promising performance, while Bonnar, who returned to the Colony towards the close of last season, has lost none of his cleverness.

Interporter For Cricket

Frost, a full-back who was given a county trial, will unfortunately not be playing for the Club as he is devoting most of his time to cricket, having represented Shanghai against the Colony last year.

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DARKIE CHEN & TAM KONG PAK SHINE

ARMY FORWARDS HELD IN CHECK

CHINESE HALVES DO WELL

(By "Rover")

SCRAPPY at first, but more settled later, would aptly describe the football encounter between the Canton team to represent the Kwangtung Province at the China National Games and the Combined Army eleven, who shared two goals on the new Military playing field at Sookunpoo yesterday before a very large gathering of spectators.

The visiting team were seriously handicapped by the absence of several of their players who were unable to obtain the necessary leave to come down to Hong Kong. Among these were Wong Ki-leung (Wong Wing) their goalkeeper; Lee Tin-sang, their right-back; Fung King-cheong, the centre-forward and Ip Pak-wa, the left-winger.

These four would have made a world of difference and had they been playing the game would probably have resulted in a sweeping victory for the Chinese, whose unbalanced forward line took a considerable time to settle down.

The Army made no changes,

but they were nothing like the team which surprised the Shanghai tourists some three weeks ago on the Causeway Bay ground.

Funally enough, the wingers of both teams, with the exception of Bakry on the Army left flank were very poor, Yeung Shui-yick, former South China star, failing badly on the right-flank, while Lee Hon-ching was no better on the other wing. Clayton, the Army right-wing, wasted too much time before centring and gave the Chinese defence time enough to rally.

Chinese Backs Shine

Mak Siu-hon, and Fu Cha-hing, the visitors' right and left backs were very good throughout, their first-time clearances and deadly tackling upsetting many promising Army openings.

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R.A. WIN K.O.Y.L.L. POLO TROPHY FOR THE FIRST TIME

FUSILIERS LOSE BY 6 GOALS TO 3

BAKER-CARR AND PORTMAN IN BRILLIANT FORM

Brilliant hitting by Baker Carr and Portman, of the Royal Artillery, and the steady display of Captain A. D. Murray Lewis, of the Royal Welch Fusiliers, featured the final of the K.O.Y.L.L. Polo Cup, which took place in the presence of a large gathering on the Polo ground at Kowloon Tong yesterday afternoon, when the Gunners defeated the Fusiliers by 6 goals to 3 to win the trophy for the first time.

At the conclusion of the match, His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, Lieut. General O. C. Borrett, presented cups to members of the winning team.

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UNIVERSITY BEAT D.B.S. BY ONE WICKET

A University eleven beat the Diocesan Boys' School by one wicket yesterday on the School ground.

D.B.S.: 84 (R. Broadbridge 19, A. Prata 17, F. Lay 15, C. H. Teo 5 for 14, K. Ng 3 for 29)

University: 85 (C. H. Teo 23, W. C. Chin 15, Rev. C. B. R. Sargent 6 for 30, R. Broadbridge 3 for 26)

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Fung King-cheong, above, one of the four Canton footballers unable to obtain the necessary leave to go to Shanghai for the China National Games.

MALAYAN CONTINGENT FOR GAMES

Warm Local Welcome Extended

SOCCER TEAM EXPECTED TO WIN CHAMPIONSHIP

(By "REFEREE")

The Malayan Chinese contingent for the China National Games, numbering 140 strong, arrived in the Colony this morning en route for Shanghai by the s.s. Conte Verde, and were given a rousing welcome by former Malayan residents, banners in all colours and hundreds of gaily dressed Chinese ladies being prominent on the wharf.

Mr. Aw Boon-haw, the "Tiger Balm King" and Chief Executive of the Malayan Body, was on the wharf, together with other members of the Malayan Committee who had arrived in the Colony a few days ago.

MATCHES ARRANGED

The Malayan Chinese footballers are playing the pick of Japan while in Tokyo following the China National Games, which will be followed by a game against the pick of Shanghai, and last but not least, a game against a selected Hong Kong or Chinese team in the Colony on their way back to Malaya.

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Hon. Sec. Issues Apology

APPEALS BOARD SUGGESTION

A meeting of the general committee of the Mamak Hockey Tournament was held in the Library, Police Headquarters, last night, presided over by Capt. G. W. P. Kimm A.E.C. who was supported by Sub-Inspector R. Tyler, Hon. Secretary and representatives of teams in the tournament.

It was decided that the Hon. Secretary be asked to write to the Hong Kong Hockey Association suggesting to them to form an Appeals Board and that the personnel of such to be decided by them.

Hon. Sec. Apologises

H.M.S. Hermes were promoted to the "A" Division, while the Royal Engineers have entered a team in the "B" Division.

Before the meeting closed, Sub-Inspector Tyler said that he would like to withdraw anything he might have said at a previous meeting which might have reflected on the sportsmanship of the Radio Sports Club. Mr. Surjit Singh, on behalf of the Radio, accepted the apology.

HARRY TYLDESLEY PASSES

Harry Tyldesley, the elder brother of Richard Tyldesley, the Lancashire cricketer, died at Morecambe yesterday, at the age of 42. He was for many years professional to the "Oxon C.C.," Birkenhead, and later played in Lancashire League cricket.



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MIDDLESBORO'S TWO SLAMS

(By Leighton)

London, September 17.

FOOTBALL so far has been a switchback ride round Devil's Elbow. Upward and downward thrills, and no knowing what's round the corner. How far does the weather affect the game? Ever thought it over?

There have been great games — some bigger than all three days of a cricket Test can command. For the fine send-off, thank the fine days and nights.

But there has been some freak football. Middlesbrough twelve goals against two in successive matches at Preston and Villa Park. Liverpool two goals down at home against Manchester City, six goals down against Manchester City. Crazy week.

There is no explaining these things, satisfactorily. Just football's uncertainty, which means, mostly, that at the start of a game things go right for one side and wrong for the other, and the lucky ones take the bit in their teeth and ride to glory.

The "Bit"

And this grand slam at Villa Park was performed against a

MALAYAN CONTINGENT
FOR GAMES

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After the Games, the team will visit Manila on their way back to Malaya, and have already been invited to meet the P.A.A.F. champions.

PROGRAMME DELAYED
Owing to the Passport inspection, nobody was allowed on board or off the vessel until about 8.30 a.m., although the ship arrived in Hong Kong not long after 6 a.m. This resulted in a considerable delay in the programme arranged for the visitors, who were taken round the Island on one of the Ferry boats specially chartered for the occasion.

Considerable regret was expressed at the inability of many of those selected to make the trip to secure the necessary leave.

STRONGEST SOCCER TEAM
Cheah Keng-hock, the centre-forward of the Malayan Chinese soccer team, stated that the present combination was about the strongest that Malaya had ever sent on tour and that he thought they stood an excellent chance of winning the soccer championship. He expressed regret at not being able to meet Lee Tin-sang, Ip Pak-wa, Fung King-cheong and Wong Ki-leung, who are stationed in Canton, as he had met them at former Games.

The Malayan Chinese had an excellent forward line, a fairly safe intermediate line and several good full-backs, he said. Many of the present team were members of the Straits Chinese Recreation Club, which had recently won the Cup competition in Singapore.

Contrary to expectations, the Malayan swimming team is only at half its advertised strength as Tan Wee-chew, the Singapore and Malayan champion, was unable to obtain the necessary leave and this also applied to Goh Koon-kiat, the manager and diver of the team.

ANNIE YEO NOT TRAVELLING
But the greatest disappointment will be felt when it is known that Miss Annie Yeo, the Malayan Chinese lady champion, who is credited with breaking several of Miss Yeung San-king's records, was prevented from travelling at the last moment for some unknown reason.

Included in the complement are several ladies' basketball and volleyball teams and Malaya's track and field stars.

ROCHDALE SIGN ON
W. H. MARSHALL

Rochdale F.C. have signed W. H. Marshall, who last played with Tottenham Hotspur, and previously assisted Port Vale and Nottingham Forest.



\$20,000 Villa half-back line, for Allen cost £10,775 and the other two (Gardner and McLuckie) not so far short thereof.

With Dix, Cunliffe, and Waring as afield, too, the Villa attack was no cheap line.

A costly team that misfires is, of course, a spectacular target for the critics. But all who cherish football—and the asset to the game a good Villa side means—will hope this is just a false start and that the obvious talent in the Villa camp will soon be seen at its true worth.

But the bit—otherwise confidence—is mostly offered to the home team: A Present from the Spectators. Yes, supporters mean much—the difference between home and away form.

These perfect pitches the players are encountering are giving the good teams a chance to make good. I mean the teams who can play first-class football.

If we could have a month of this turf—a month in which to find true form—we should have a pretty good answer in the League tables to the old question of whether class football pays on the field of play.

Or whether the dashers and "swing-it-about boys" can knock the stuffing out of them.

Huddersfield Stand Alone
Defeating Sheffield Wednesday by the odd goal of three at Hillsborough yesterday, Huddersfield not only kept their unbeaten record but regained the First Division leadership.

Huddersfield are now the only undefeated side in the premier League.

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CREWE WIN AT
CHESTERSoccer Surprise In
Third Division

London, To-day.

Crewe Alexandra caused a minor sensation yesterday when they visited and beat Chester by a goal to nil in the northern section of the Third Division of the English Football League.—Reuter.

Earlier in the season Chester shared two goals at Crewe. Chester's defeat yesterday was their first at home, while Crewe's win was their first away success. Andy Ducat's forecast for Saturday's games will be found on Page 7.

TO-DAY'S GAME
Second Division

Notts F. v Blackpool

Three teams out of the 108 competing in the five major leagues have maintained an unbeaten record. They are Huddersfield, Chesterfield and Tranmere.

Only 10 teams have 100 per cent home records—Sunderland, Derby, Portsmouth, Barnsley, Clapton, Reading, Coventry, Tranmere, Aberdeen and Celtic.

In addition to the above 10, thirty-three teams have yet to be beaten at home—Huddersfield, Manchester City, Wolves, Port Vale, Charlton, Fulham, Bradford, Burnley, Bolton, Bury, Blackpool, Blackburn, Bristol City, Bristol Rovers, Crystal Palace, Exeter, Gillingham, Grimsby, Ipswich, Lincoln, Luton, Millwall, Middlesbrough, Newcastle, Norwich, Notts County, Oldham, Oxford United, Peterborough, Plymouth, Reading, Rotherham, Southampton, Swansea, Torquay, Tottenham, Tranmere, Walsall, Watford, West Ham, Wimbledon, Wolverhampton, Wycombe, York City.

The Rangers have yet to be beaten away from home.



Mr. Leslie A. Knighton, the famous manager, is accomplishing wonders with the Chelsea team this season.

SWITCHING
THE POINT OF
THE ATTACKMOVE WHICH IS
SUCCESSFULDEFENDERS THROWN OFF
THEIR BALANCE

(By LEIGHTON)

London Sept. 17.

There is more than a hint from the football we have seen this season of new ideas coming into the game. That is all to the good.

We have not yet reached the stage when we can assume that no good purpose will be served by thinking about the game by putting our brains to sleep. Clubs are now trying methods to defeat the definite defensive policy which allocates to each man a specific job.

Wednesday Methods
One idea is to switch the attackers from one position to another as the play proceeds. It was done by Sheffield Wednesday in their progress to the Cup Final last season.

The same sort of thing has been done by Sunderland and Grimsby Town in games I have witnessed this season.

These switches have a tendency, at least for fleeting moments, to throw the defenders off their balance and to upset their defensive plans. Obviously it gets them guessing if one man, told to cover a particular opponent, finds himself drawn out of position by following the man regardless of his place on the field.

A Real Wanderer

Starling, of Sheffield Wednesday, is a real wanderer. Bestall, of Grimsby Town, is a most elusive switcher of positions.

Those who were present at the Arsenal Stadium on the first day of the season saw Carter, the inside right of Sunderland, lob the ball in the Arsenal goal almost from the left touch line.

On the other hand, probably many spectators did not know that it was Carter who had gone right across the field to lead up to the Sunderland goal.

This all lead up to the point that there is an increasing demand that players should be numbered.

SPURS' HALVES MUST
IMPROVEHubbard's Very Fine
Wing Display

London, Sept. 3.

The 'Spurs have started well, but they must not get up-stage just yet. The victory over Hull was not convincing. The half-backs will have to improve.

After the match the Hull manager, Mr. Jack Hill, was pointing out to Mr. Jack Tresadern the virtues of the Hull outside-right, Hubbard.

The information and notes on the football of Hubbard have been filed for reference.

Interesting Statistics

ford, Notts Forest, Bury, Southampton, Swansea, Torquay, Manchester United, Leicester, Bristol Rovers, Crystal Palace, Newport, Swindon, Northampton, Millwall, Exeter, Grimsby, Gillingham, Darlington, Halifax, Lincoln, Rochdale, Crewe, Walsall, Clapton, Reading, Coventry, Tranmere, Aberdeen and Celtic.

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FOOTBALL FORM GUIDE

Comprehensive Table Shows
Form At A Glance

A COMPREHENSIVE guide to the form of all Clubs in the four premier English Football Leagues and the premier Scottish League will be found in the appended table. To assist in comparing the teams, details of how they have fared in their last five matches are given.

The letters W, L and D indicate matches won, lost and drawn, respectively. Games played at home are shown in capital letters, while away games are denoted by ordinary type. The figure in brackets denotes the position held by that team at the conclusion of last season, an asterisk denotes that that team has been promoted, and a dagger that that team has been relegated.

First Division	HOME	AWAY
	P P W L D F A Goals Pts	P W L D F A Goals Pts
Huddersfield (16) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Sunderland (2) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Manchester C. (4) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Middlesbrough (20) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Derby (6) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Arsenal (1) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Liverpool (7) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Chelsea (12) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Blackburn (15) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Stoke (10) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Wednesday (3) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Wolves (17) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
A. Villa (13) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Portsmouth (14) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Birmingham (18) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Leeds (18) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Brentford (11) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Everton (8) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Preston (11) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Bolton (11) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Grimsby (5) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
W. B'wich (9) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
TOTALS	170 85 47 22 16 177 106 110	85 22 47 16 106 177 60 170

Second Division	HOME	AWAY
	P P W L D F A Goals Pts	P W L D F A Goals Pts
Nottingham (19) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Sheff. U. (5) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Tottenham (1) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Blackpool (4) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Swansea (12) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Doncaster (10) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Barnsley (16) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Bury (10) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Port Vale (13) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Fulham (7) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Sheff. W. (11) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Bradford (15) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Charlton (11) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Burnley (12) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Notts F. (9) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Newcastle (6) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
West Ham (3) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Bradford C. (20) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Hull (13) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Norwich (14) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
TOTALS	174 87 53 14 20 193 96 126	87 14 53 20 96 193 48 174

Third Division (South)	HOME	AWAY
	P P W L D F A Goals Pts	P W L D F A Goals Pts
Torquay (10) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Reading (2) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Barnmouth (17) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Crystal P. (5) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Coventry (3) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Bristol R. (8) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Swindon (16) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Newport (22) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Notts C. (1) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Watford (6) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Millwall (12) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Southend (21) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Q'n's P.R. (9) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Gillingham (20) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Clapton (14) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Bristol C. (15) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Luton (4) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Cardiff (19) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Aldershot (18) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
Exeter (11) WDWWD	8 4 2 0 2 5 1 6	4 3 0 1 9 5 7 13
TOTALS	180 90 49 15 26 194 99 125	90 15 49 26 99 194 55 180

Third Division (North)	HOME										AWAY									
	P	P	W	L	D	F	A	Goals	Pts		P	P	W	L	D	F	A	Goals	Pts	
Tranmere (6) dwwww	8	4	4	0	0	10	2	8	4	2	2	0	2	5	3	6	14			
Chester (3) dWdWd	10	5	3	1	1	15	5	7	5	2	1	2	7	7	4	6	13			
Lincoln (4) WDWdL		8	4	3	0	1	16	3	7	4	2	1	1	7	4	7	12			
Stockport (7) HDWd		9	4	3	0	1	11	5	7	5	1	3	1	6	8	3	10			
Wrexham (11) LdWdL		9	5	4	1	0	10	3	8	4	1	3	0	7	7	4	12			
Oldham (—) dLdLd		8	4	2	1	1	11	6	5	4	2	1	1	3	2	5	10			
Crewe (13) dDWdL		9	4	3	0	1	10	4	7	5	1	3	1	5	15	5	14			
Walsall (14) WdWdL		8	4	3	0	1	10	2	7	4	0	0	2	2	3	10	2	9		
Chesterfield (10) WdWdL		7	3	2	0	1	11	3	5	4	0	0	4	5	5	4	9			
Halifax (2) dDWdL		8	4	3	0	1	7	2	7	4	0	3	1	0	6	1	8			
Rochdale (17) dWdL		7	4	2	0	2	5	3	6	3	1	2	0	6	11	2	8			
Rotherham (3) WWWdL		8	5	4	1	0	13	3	8	3	0	3	0	3	9	0	8			
York (15) DDWdL		8	5	1	2	2	5	8	4	3	1	1	1	4	4	3	7			
Hartlepool (12) dWdL		8	4	3	1	0	8	1	6	4	0	3	1	5	10	1	7			
Accrington (18) dWdW		8	4	2	2	0	5	7	4	4	1	2	1	4	13	3	7			
Manfield (8) WdLdL		8	4	3	1	0	10	7	6	4	0	4	0	3	11	0	6			
Barrow (17) dWdL		8	4	1	1	2	5	3	4	4	1	3	0	7	10	2	6			
Gateshead (19) dWdL		8	4	2	0	2	9	6	6	4	0	4	0	9	0	6	6			
Carlisle (22) dLdLd		7	4	2	1	1	5	2	5	3	0	2	1	1	5	1	6			
Darlington (5) HDWd		8	3	2	0	1	8	4	5	5	0	5	0	4	16	0	5			
N. Brighton (16) LdWdL		8	4	1	2	1	6	6	3	4	0	4	0	2	13	0	3			
Southport (21) dLdL		8	3	1	2	0	2	5	2	5	1	4	0	3	13	2	4			

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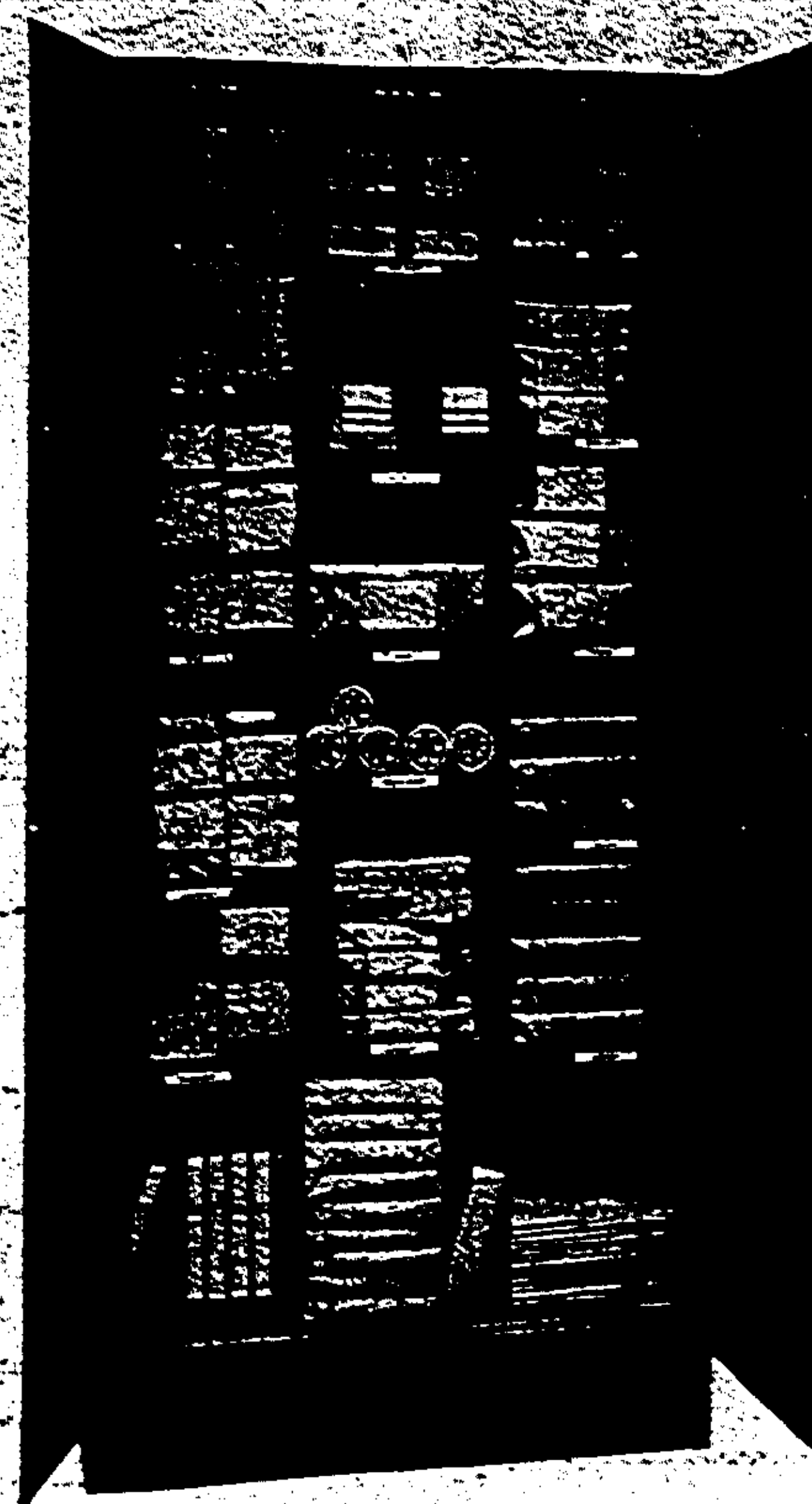


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Bolton (-) v MID'BORO' (-)
Brentford (-) v Wednesday (-)
DERBY (2) v Wolves (0)
EVERTON (2) v Aston Villa (2)
Leeds (2) v HUDFIELD (0)
MAN'TER C. (3) v Stoke (1)
PRESTON (1) v Portsmouth (1)
SUNDERLAND (2) v Liverpool (3)
W. BROM (4) v Grimsby (2)

SECOND DIVISION

Bradford (0) v Blackpool (0)
BURNLEY (0) v Newcastle (3)
CHARLTON (-) v Bradford C. (-)
Fulham (-) v Tottenham (-)
HULL (1) v Plymouth (1)
LEICESTER (-) v Doncaster (-)
PORT VALE (3) v Man'ter U (2)
SHEP'LD U. (2) v Notts F. (1)
S'AMPTON (1) v Norwich (4)
SWANSEA (1) v Bury (0)
WEST HAM (4) v Barnsley (3)

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

ABERDEEN (3) v Partick (0)
ALBION (1) v DUNDEE (2)
CLYDE (5) v Ayr (1)
HAMILTON (2) v Hibernian (1)
HEARTS (-) v T. Lanark (-)
Kilmarnock (2) v CELTIC (3)
QUEEN'S PARK (4) v Airdrie (2)
Queen of S. (0) v M'GOWAN (3)
RANGERS (8) v DUNFERMLINE (1)
ST. J'STONE (-) v Arbroath (-)

Figures in brackets denote the result of the corresponding match last season, and Clubs, in capital letters are favoured to win.

THIRD DIVISION (South)

ALDERSHOT (0) v Millwall (0)
BOURNEMOUTH (1) v Gillingham (1)
Bristol R. (5) v Crystal P. (3)
CLAPTON (3) v Northampton (2)
COVENTRY (1) v Watford (1)
EXETER (3) v Brighton (1)
LUTON (4) v Cardiff (0)
NEWPORT (2) v Queen's P.R. (1)
Notts C. (-) v Reading (-)
SWINDON (1) v Bristol C. (0)
TORQUAY (2) v Southend (0)

THIRD DIVISION (North)

Accrington (1) v CHESTER (0)
CARLISLE (2) v Hartlepool (2)
CHESTER (6) v Barrow (2)
Crewe (2) v Stockport (3)
Darlington (-) v OLDHAM (-)
Gateshead (1) v WREXHAM (0)
HALIFAX (1) v Rochdale (1)
LINCOLN (3) v York (1)
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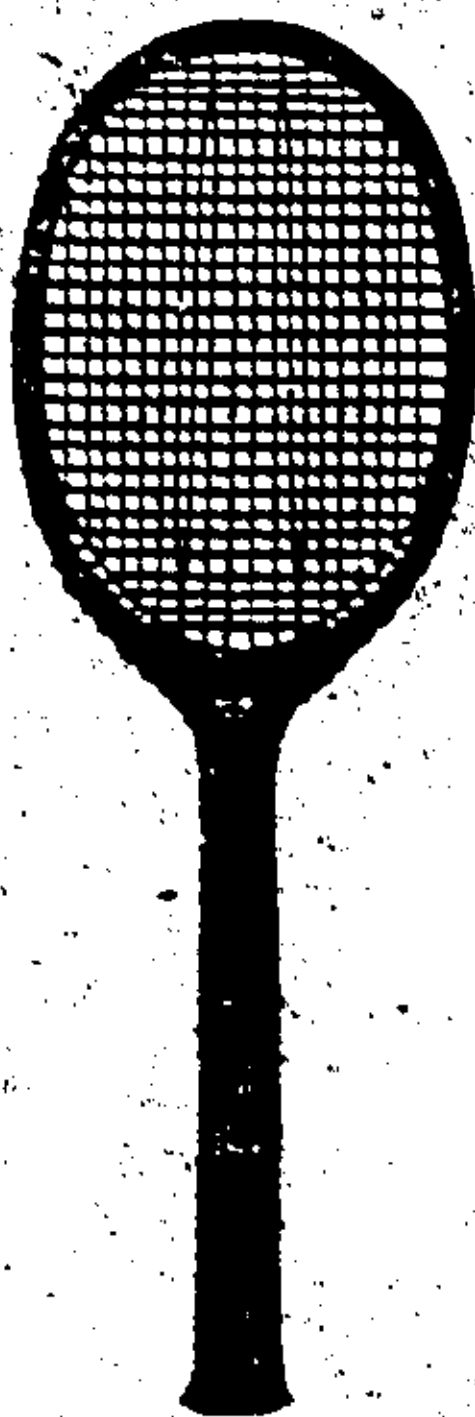
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The Gravest Menace To Trade Unionism

By resolutions carried by large majorities the Trades Union Congress, decided at their congress at Margate to have no dealings with Communism. That is precisely what would have been expected by those who know anything of the foundations of trade unionism in England. The vote was forced in an effort to compel the General Council to withdraw circulars issued with the purpose of preventing Communists holding official positions in the unions. In this attempted censorship upon the executive miners and railwaymen were allied, and probably for the first time in the history of the Congress that combination was defeated. The fact that the opponents of the circular described the attempt to shut the doors upon the Communists as "undemocratic" and an infringement of the autonomy of the unions did not prevent the majority from seeing that what is at stake is the existence of British trade unionism itself.

The day was carried against the extremists by the speech of Mr. Bevin, who controls a union having bitter experience of the activities of Communists. His revelation that most of the unauthorised strikes among the transport workers are due to Communist agents convinced the delegates, who know how serious a danger to trade unionism is the breaking of agreements. The way of the Communist is made harder for the future by the vote of the Congress, but he will not be deterred from his propagandist efforts. The British Labour movement can be captured for Moscow only by obtaining control of the machinery of the unions, which it would promptly destroy. Trade unionists have shown themselves to be on guard. The size of the minority at the congress would cause misgiving were it not that a good many votes were cast, not out of sympathy with the Communist, but in defence of the sturdy faith that the unions do not want instruction from headquarters how their affairs should be managed.

The Age Of Learning

Few elderly withers would remain unwarmed if what Dr. Wynn Jones told the Psychology section of the British Association recently were taken gravely to heart. It is never, according to him, too late to learn; and by learning he evidently means not the automatic

accretion of experience with advancing years, but deliberate intent to add to existing stores of knowledge. Fortunately the chill wind of this dictum is tempered for human sheep well on in years by its limitation to the age of 45. After that, a man may begin to say to himself that he is too old to set himself to learn anything more. Before, his failure to add to his brain-store will be remorselessly set down by the scientist to one or other of a number of rather out-at-elbows reasons.

Among them, the commonest causes of adult failure to embark on any protracted process of self-education hardly figure, curiously enough. A vigorous reaction against compulsory study is certainly common; and the frequent indictment against current educational methods—that they leave the young adult complacently unconscious of anything more to be learnt—cannot be ignored. But there are other and less reprehensible reasons. Pressure of other interests (in themselves not necessarily less admirable than a determination towards mental self-improvement) is one. But the most powerful, probably, is mere fatigue. Nothing but the strongest character and the most enduring brain can make serious study steadily possible after a hard day's work. Still, it is fatally easy, between 25 and 45, to condone flagging intellectual alertness and curiosity on the plea of mounting years; and a sharp reminder that the excuse is mostly self-deception will do no harm.

ANTI-RED FORCES AT SIAN

Unified Campaign To Be Launched

Peiping, To-day.

The military authorities understand that there has been no unifying military command of the troops in the North-west during the present campaign against the communists in that region, and a new military post will soon be created for the North-west, with its headquarters at Sian, according to information from a military source.

It is learned that Marshals Chiang Kai-shek and Chang Hsueh-liang have been formally appointed by the National Government as Commander-in-Chief and Deputy Commander of the bandit suppression forces of the North-west respectively. As the Generalissimo is too busy to handle the military affairs in the North-west campaign, the Young Marshal will stay at Sian to direct the anti-Red operations there. Central News Agency.

Here There and Everywhere.

DUMMY FUNNELS—

To fit the new Orient liner, the Orion, which sailed on her maiden voyage recently, with only one funnel was a bold experiment. The old—and mysterious—preference for a ship with three or even four funnels still lingers in the minds of many travellers.

Probably it dates from the time when a ship big enough to have more than one smokestack was a novelty, and each additional funnel was held to indicate increased size, speed and safety.

With this in mind, perhaps, designers have frequently given liners dummy funnels.

—AS SMOKING-ROOMS

The most recent example is the Normandie. The farthest aft of her three funnels is, as far as propulsion is concerned, superfluous. Instead, it contains the ventilating machinery and dog-kennels.

The Majestic has three funnels, of which only two serve their apparent purpose, while the Homeric has one dummy and one real funnel. Both these liners were built in Germany.

The only two British-built liners of the Cunard-White Star fleet with dummy funnels are the motor-ships Georgic and Britannic. Both have two short funnels; in the Britannic one contains the engineers' smoking-room, and in the Georgic the dummy funnel is shared between a smoking-room and wireless equipment.

Your Daily Smile!

"I do not write for personal profit," declares a novelist. Lots of other novelists have complained of much the same thing.

An archway of picks and shovels was formed at a recent wedding in the North of England. Some heartless practical joker blew a whistle, but fortunately the happy couple reached the waiting car before tools were downed.

It is reported that a Glasgow man played the piano continuously for 72 hours. Apparently he had the instrument on three days' free trial.

Gentle Hint

Five-year-old Henry and his mother were going to drive to the country to see an aunt. About the time they were ready to start, two ladies came to call.

Henry sat patiently waiting for them to go, but as they made no move toward going, he finally said: "When you go home, Mother and I are going out to see Auntie Flo." The guests laughingly departed.

Exceptions

"Are you and Lois the oldest of your family?" asked the teacher of one of the twins.

"No, mother and daddy are quite a bit older," answered the child.

FLOOD RELIEF FUNDS

Remitted To The Provinces

Nanking, To-day.

The flood relief fund of \$65,000 was remitted by the National Famine Relief Commission to the following afflicted provinces to-day:

Hupeh	\$15,000
Kiangsu	10,000
Kiangsi	4,000
Fukien	4,000
Hopei	2,000
Shantung	15,000
Honan	5,000
Kwangtung	4,000
Hunan	4,000
Anhui	2,000

The Commission also decided to ship 7,000 used uniforms, donated by the Ministry of the Navy, to the inundated districts in Shantung, one of the provinces worst affected by the floods. Central News Agency.

FORTHCOMING WEDDING

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Mr. Fred Edmund Tomkins, clerk, of Palm Court, and Miss Mary Ann Kirkwood, telephone operator, of No. 24 Mindoro Street, Manila, who is en route to the Colony by the s.s. President Coolidge.

FAST NEW HARBOUR TUNNEL

MARSEILLES' BID FOR WORLD TRADE

LINKING THE NORTH SEA WITH THE MEDITERRANEAN

(By B. S. Townroe)

THE traveller who to-day enters the harbour of Marseilles by daylight will see immense new harbour works in progress. These stretch as far as the Rhone Tunnel, which is the widest in the world.

Out of sight beyond the tunnel and behind the hills to the north-west is being constructed a huge inland harbour. The tunnel is a link between the ancient port, the new port, and the Rhone Canal—and so to Central France, Switzerland, Germany, Holland, and on to the North Sea.

The French engineers have already erected breakwaters, composed of reinforced concrete blocks, each weighing 450 tons, so as to protect shipping against the storms of the Mediterranean. They have driven a tunnel through four miles of rock, and they are transforming marshland into sites suitable for factories over an area equal to that of Marseilles itself. All these works are proof of the energy and enterprise of modern France.

World's Traffic

The leaders in this vast engineering project, which the Chamber of Commerce at Marseilles initiated in the blackest year of the war, see a vision of Marseilles becoming a river port and increasing its traffic as the chief seaport of France. Its present position on the belt of the world which links up the canals of Suez and Panama, at the head of direct water communication, is a natural asset, which has been steadily developed.

As this summer I steamed round the harbour, leaving behind the old port, M. Brenier, the Hon. Director-General of the Marseilles Chamber of Commerce, told me of the rivalry between Marseilles and Genoa, and how the French port is increasing its traffic. Both are in the Mediterranean, close to the route from the East to South America.

Last year there were 644,300 passengers passing in and out of Marseilles, as compared with 143,570 in Genoa, and nearly twice as many ships, and 1,000,000 more tons in goods (embarked and disembarked).

Marseilles aims, however, at becoming the middleman for one-tenth of the world's population.

Expanding Figures

The latest figures show that in spite of the crisis of last year the traffic of the harbour is steadily expanding. The net ship tonnage has increased from 22,000,000 tons in 1913 to over 33,000,000 tons at present.

British shipping still occupies first place, and the tonnage entering and leaving the port under British flags last year amounted to nearly 7,000,000 tons.

The figures, however, show a decrease in the goods traffic (in and out) of about 1,000,000 tons compared with the pre-war figures, owing to the world crisis. The decrease applies specially to British coal, which explains why our coal mines have been so hard hit. In 1913 the import of British coal to Marseilles was 1,797,800 tons, reduced in 1933 to 968,400 tons, and in 1934 to 866,400. The reduction is said to be due almost exclusively to the substitution of fuel oil for coal.

As our tender picked its course from one basin to another, the difficulties which the French have had to overcome became apparent. It must be a ticklish and slow business for a large ship coming in from the open sea to thread its way to its berth, and yet breakwaters were essential in order to provide a safe anchorage in this exposed position. The original assets of the harbour were the deep water, 105 feet close to the

Steel Moulds

I watched these being cast in steel moulds and saw one, the size of a small bungalow, being cautiously lowered by a giant crane into the water, where it was guided into its final position by divers. Similar gigantic blocks are now being used to build the Pharo Basin, just outside the old port, where in time there will be a new deep-water harbour large enough for ships with a maximum draught of over 40 feet.

The beginnings of a new breakwater a mile and a half long can now be seen. These two harbour extensions will cost, according to estimates, over £12,000,000.

Not satisfied, however, with these additions along the shore, even more ambitious plans are being carried out behind the hills not far from the main line to Paris on an inland lake, the Etang de Berre. Napoleon was one of the first who had the vision to see that this might become one of the finest inland harbours in the world, but it has taken over 100 years to bring his conception within the realms of practical politics.

Good Anchorage

The area is nearly 60 square miles, or about the same size as the City of Leeds. Most of the lake has a natural depth of between 26 and 30 feet; thus providing good anchorage for sea-going ships up to 12,000 tons, while there is unlimited space for docks and warehouses.

It is now linked to the Mediterranean by the Rhone Tunnel, an engineering achievement of which little has been heard in Britain. This is a tunnel over four miles long, 49 feet high, and 72 feet wide. It took 15 years to build.

It was started in 1911, and work continued in 1914, war or no war. At the very moment when the Germans were fighting at Verdun the two ends of the tunnel met.

Resolutely the leaders of the enterprise, the Chamber of Commerce and its President, M. Artaud, and the official engineers of the Ponts et Chaussees (Public Works), pressed on, until the work was completed in 1926.

Barges to-day of 600 tons carry cargoes from the Mediterranean through the tunnel to the inland sea, and up canals into the interior of France and thence to central and northern Europe.

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ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

Concert By Madame Lottie Gordon

Madame Lottie Gordon will give a concert under the auspices of the Empire and Australian Music Links (Hong Kong branch) on Tuesday next at St. Andrew's Church Hall at 9 p.m. She will be assisted by several young artists, including the Misses Dorothy Raven, Clotilde Andrade, Winifred Raven, Kathleen Watson and Lai Woo, in addition to Colleen Ng and a junior chorus, who will be heard in an Australian Bush Song.

Other items will include two songs for the world's peace composed by Madame Gordon herself, her Hong Kong Boat Song, and other new compositions of Australian and local origin.

A collection will be taken at the door after the concert, in aid of the Hong Kong Links Music Club and the Girls' Blind Home. The public is cordially invited.

ITALIAN OFFENSIVE COMMENCES ETHIOPIAN TERRITORY VIOLATED

NO ACTION YET TAKEN BY ARMY OF NEGUS

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Geneva, To-day.

The Italian offensive commenced yesterday, according to a telegram received yesterday afternoon by the League of Nations Secretariat from the Negus, reading: "Herewith I advise you, for the information of the League Council and the members, that in the province of Aussa, south of the mountain Moussa Ali, Italian troops crossed the frontier between this mountain and French Somaliland, and established themselves on Abyssinian territory and are preparing to attack on a large scale. The proximity of this region to the sea, as well as the easy accessibility from French Somaliland, enables the League of Nations to send observers or to obtain confirmation of this violation of Abyssinian territory from the Government of French Somaliland."

Addis Ababa: The proclamation of general mobilisation on is awaited hourly here in consequence of the occupation of Abyssinian territory by Italians, mostly native troops, who from the accounts which are reaching the capital, appear to be preparing a base for a big advance.

Some 50,000 native troops are said to be engaged in building a road and constructing dugouts. Great difficulties are being experienced with water supplies.

Up till now it is officially stated that no action has been taken by the Abyssinian army.

A detachment of French native troops has been despatched by the Governor to protect the frontier of French Somaliland adjacent to the region occupied by the Italians, the headquarters of the French troops being Karkara.

L'VAL RECEIVES CERRUTI. Paris:—The Italian Ambassador, Signor Cerruti, was again received yesterday by M. Laval, but no announcement was made as to the outcome of the conversation.

PROTEST NO SURPRISE. Geneva: The Emperor of Abyssinia's telegram to the Secretary-General of the League of Nations did not come as a particular surprise to League circles, and no steps will be taken beyond the meeting of the Council Committee of Thirteen already arranged for to-day, which will probably take place at 4 p.m.

It may be taken for granted, however, that the final drafting of the report which the Committee has been preparing will be a matter of mere formality, and that the main subject dealt with at the session will be the question of the eventual "preventive measures" in other words, sanctions.

On the publication of the Emperor's telegram a member of the British delegation immediately hurried to the League Secretariat in order to learn further details, and it is expected that the British delegate will broach this question at the meeting of the Committee.

QUESTION OF SANCTIONS. Should the Committee, which, even in the absence of the principal delegates, can at any time reconstitute itself as the League Council, decide on such measures being adopted on the basis of Article XI or XV, the League Covenant sanctions machinery will be practically set in motion.

In Geneva it is generally recognised that in this case the theoretical difference between "preventive measures" and sanctions, as well as the distinction between moral, financial, economic and military sanctions, will not be of much account, if the decision to apply preventive measures of any kind leads to an encounter of Italy's armed forces with those of any other member of the League of Nations.

In the event of the League Council Committee establishing that Italy has committed an act of aggression against Abyssinia, the League Assembly, it is anticipated, will be convoked for to-morrow.

EGYPTIAN CABINET MEETS. Cairo: The Egyptian Cabinet met yesterday for a further session, at the conclusion of which the British High Commissioner, Sir Miles Lampson, flew straight to Alexandria, where he had a long conversation with King Fuad. No statement has as yet been issued concerning the Cabinet's deliberations.

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Earlier Cables BRITISH DECLARATION AND SANCTIONS

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Budapest, To-day.

Unconcealed satisfaction is voiced by the Hungarian press at the British answer to France, concerning the course of action that would be adopted by the British Government in the event of a European conflict, the Hungarian press interpreting the answer as an unequivocal pronouncement in favour of the necessity of the transformation of the present European relationships.

One paper emphasises that the British Government's answer avoids acceptance of any definite obligations and unequivocally places the non-observance of the peace treaties, the Austrian, and the Memel questions, outside the scope of sanctions.

POLAND'S ATTITUDE. Warsaw: Poland's attitude to the Italo-Abyssinian question is defined in a leading article in the semi-official *Gazeta Polska*, which at the same time pronounces some criticism of the fundamental principles of the League of Nations' policy.

Above all the newspaper objects that the two organs of the League of Nations should be kept in readiness, not for the sake of peace and the Covenant of the League of Nations, but solely and alone to serve the interests of certain great Powers.

The operations of the League of Nations' machinery cannot be considered as unimpeachable, continues the journal, when 54 States are called specially to Geneva and are set to decide on cut and dried project. Certain great Powers champion the League only when the League serves them.

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CHINA AND SIAM

Trade Commissioner Arrives

SOME RUMOURS DENIED

An interesting arrival in the Colony by the s.s. Conte Verde this morning was Mr. Vilas Salanda, who is opening an office in Hong Kong and will take up his duties as Siamese Trade Commissioner in China. This is the first time that such an office has been opened here.

When interviewed this morning he stated that it was Siam's intention to cultivate trade with China as much as possible. He will leave for Canton and Nanking some-time in the near future, and it is possible that other offices will be set up there.

Questioned regarding the reports that Siam had forbidden overseas Chinese to study their native language in Siam, Mr. Salanda denied the rumours. He stated that Chinese methods of



Cecil Allen, the Los Angeles driver, entered in the Bendix Trophy Race to Cleveland, crashed to his death shortly after taking off at Los Angeles.

GENERAL TU'S TRIP TO EUROPE

Military Affairs Studied

PRAISE FOR GERMAN MACHINE

After a long stay in Europe, during which time he carried an exhaustive study of European defence measures, principally German, General Tu Yick-him, former Vice-Chancellor of the Canton Military College and now Chairman of the Cantonese Air Defence Commission, arrived in the Colony early this morning by the s.s. Conte Verde on his way back to Canton.

In an interview with the *China Mail* shortly after the vessel had berthed, General Tu said that he left Canton on February 16 and journeyed to Mar-seilles, where he arrived on March 17. From there he struck across the Continent and eventually reached Paris.

The mission of which he is the head then divided into two parties, as this was found easier. One party was headed by Captain Lim, also of the Canton Military College, and the other was under his care.

TRAVEL IN GERMANY. His mission then made for Berlin, and here they were conducted through the military training school. Leaving Berlin, they travelled to Dresden and watched the infantry in action there. They next went to Hamburg, where they watched the military manoeuvres in progress at that time.

When they were occupied in studying the latest developments in German armoured cars a message was received from General Chan Chai-tong in Canton bidding them to return. As General Tu had not completed what he had set out to do he asked permission of General Chan to remain a little longer. Captain Lim, however, returned to Canton with his party.

General Tu then visited Italy, Austria, Czechoslovakia and Switzerland.

HIGH PRAISE FOR GERMANY. He praises Germany very highly and believes that China could not pick a more admirable model for the building up of its military machine. Germany, the General states, is as powerful now as she was before the war, and doubly patriotic.

General Tu will remain in Hong Kong to-day and leave for Canton by the noon express to-morrow. His plans during his stay in the Colony have not been divulged.

TERRORIST PLOT FEARED

Armed Guard For Indian Judge

Calcutta. Special pickets of armed police have been detailed to protect Mr. T. H. Ellis, the District Sessions Judge in Alipore, against whose life a terrorist plot is believed to exist. Five Bengali youths were brought up for trial on charges of complicity in a conspiracy to take Mr. Ellis's life.

teaching in Siam were about 14 years' out of date. Certain of these schools had been closed, but this was because Communism was taught in them, and not because of any anti-Chinese feeling on the part of the Siamese authorities.

To-day's Short Story

"I'm Drowned" He Said . . .

By Clive Fenton

It is possible, of course, that he was lying. But why should he go to the trouble of making-up such a convincing and highly circumstantial story for the benefit of a stranger whom he had never seen before and could not expect to meet again?

If he had suggested at the end of it that I might lend him money, or buy him a meal, or even a drink, I should have known exactly what to do.

But he only bowed, and grinned, and walked out of the hut into the darkness.

I did not run after him, for I could have done nothing about it. You can judge the story for yourself. You can either believe it or doubt it. For myself, as I say, I don't know.

It must have been pretty nearly two in the morning when I noticed the light of Bob's Bar and pulled up. Bob's Bar is an all-night transport cafe on the main road to London from Oxford.

It is on the left, just before you get to High Wycombe; and there is a big, but very dark patch of cinders in front where the lorry-men park out of the way of the traffic. Not that there was much traffic when I drove on to the cinder-patch and stopped my car. Only one wagon was there—a huge affair with a trailer.

For a May night it was pretty cold, and the warmth of the bar was pleasant when I opened the door and stamped in.

Two men in greasy caps—obviously the wagon men—were standing up at the bar drinking coffee, eating massive Eccles cakes, and talking to the tall, spronged man behind the counter. He looked up, jerked his head, and said: "Table in the next room if you want to sit down, sir."

So I pushed open a door and went into the cafe where there were a dozen clean, plain tables set out. At one of them a man was seated, eating a meat pie and chips. I went and sat in his corner because the only menu I could see was on his table.

THE BRITISH FILM INSTITUTE

Developing Public's Discrimination

EXPERIMENT IN EDUCATION OF BACKWARD PEOPLES

London, To-day.

It is announced that the British Film Institute is now prepared to examine films which producers may desire to submit and will issue vouchers to the effect that the films have been "approved by the Institute as of educational and cultural value" in the case of those reaching an approved standard in respect of general accuracy, artistic quality and intelligence.

The scheme is advanced with a view to adding to the development of a discriminating public.

The second annual report of the Institute comments on an important experiment in East Africa to test the educational possibility of the film among backward peoples. Films are to be produced with native settings and actors which will demonstrate new methods in sanitation, health, infant welfare and agriculture. Others will seek to interpret to the native mind Western ideas in education, law and administration. There will also be entertainment films based on native traditions, legends and life. — British Wireless Service.

MARRIAGE BAN AT 50?

Bulgarian Church's Request

Sofia. The Bulgarian Orthodox Church has asked the Government to forbid the marriage of men over 55 years of age and women over 50. The Church Council bases its recommendation upon "moral and religious" grounds.

He was middle-aged and sandy-haired, except at the front (where he was bald as an egg) and he had huge sandy eyebrows. Beneath them were eyes of a singularly mild blue. I remember also that he had a very straight nose, and that both his hands and face were weather-burned to a rich brown.

He wore a nondescript sort of suit, with a black scarf knotted round his neck. He nodded amiably, his mouth full, as I took the menu.

The food at Bob's Bar is cheap and (I found) good. You can get a steak and chips for twopenny, a pork chop for sixpence, and two eggs and chips for fivepence. The ham sandwich I got weighed about half a pound and cost fourpence.

TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "Gunman!" by Grenville Hammerton.

At that time in the morning, after a hundred and fifty mile drive, it tasted superb. And the coffee, hot, strong and plentiful, was all that you could ask.

I had kept my overcoat on, and from one of the pockets a folded newspaper was sticking out. It appeared to be interesting the sandy man opposite; he was screwing his head round in an attempt to read the headlines.

"Like to look at the paper?" I asked him.

He grinned. "Just something that caught my eye," he said. "Something about missing people." He took the paper and read aloud: "Renewed efforts are to be made to trace some of the hundreds of missing people in this country whose disappearance has been reported to the police, but who have never been heard of since."

"Funny, isn't it?" he said; and he gave a peculiar, throaty chuckle. "It's funny where they do go to."

I said, and I was surprised at the look he shot at me across the table. He asked: "You don't happen to be a policeman, do you?" "No," I said. But he didn't seem satisfied.

"You look as though you might be." "No—I'm just a newspaperman," I told him.

"Aha!" he cried, and for some reason or other he looked pleased. "You'll be interested in this missing people business, I dare say?"

We ate in silence for a while. Suddenly he said: "It's a thing I'm interested in. You see I'm one myself."

"You're what?" "Missing," said the sandy man, grinning. "So naturally I take an interest in the gallant company."

"Where?" I inquired politely. "are you missing from?"

But his grin widened. "Oh, no!" he said. "No names no pack drill. I'll tell you what happened to one man who was reported missing and disappeared and hasn't ever been seen since, but there won't be any names and places, see?"

You think it's funny where they go to? By golly, it is! But I'll tell you something that's funnier still. It's funnier still why they go."

"How long have you been missing?" I asked him.

"Quite a time," he said, lightly. He grinned again. "If I told you the date you might get busy looking me up, mightn't you? We'll just say quite a time."

He paused, and looked across the table at me reflectively.

"I'm drowned," he said, solemnly. "My clothes were found on the river bank, but they've never recovered my body yet."

I looked at him steadily.

"The most difficult part," he said, "was leaving the money in the trousers pocket lying there by the river. I could have done with that money. It took me every bit of my time to get enough for the other outfit, so that when I went I hadn't a penny. And all the time there was nearly a quid in the trousers pocket. Eighteen and fourpence, to be exact. I tell you, it needed a bit of will-power to leave that money there."

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LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

The Burns Philip Line m.v. Neptune from Melbourne, Sydney, Salamana, Rabaul, Sandakan, and Manila, is due to arrive here on Saturday.

The R.M.S. Empress of Russia left Yokohama yesterday and is due at Hong Kong on Wednesday next at 5 p.m. She will sail the following afternoon for Manila.

The s.s. Rajputana left Shanghai on Tuesday at 3 p.m., and is due here to-morrow at 6 a.m.

Three cases each of diphtheria, meningitis, and puerperal fever were reported to the Health Authorities during the 24 hours ended on Tuesday.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, was 0.04 inch. The total since January 1, has been 64.15 inches, as against an average of 73.39 inches.

Seven Indians, including Indian Police Constable No. B725, were each fined \$3 by Mr. W. M. Thomson at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for gambling on the second floor of No. 79, Pilgrim Street yesterday afternoon. Two other Indian watchmen, who failed to appear in Court, had their bail of \$5 each estreated, while Hakam Singh was fined \$50, in default one month's hard labour, for keeping a common gaming house.

Lo Hing, aged 23, a shop-keeper at No. 594 Queen's Road West was this morning fined \$15, in default one month's hard labour, by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Central Police Court for keeping swine in a dwelling house. He was fined another \$35, in default six weeks' hard labour, for slaughtering pigs while not being duly authorised. Sanitary Inspector R. E. Woods said that on information received he went to the house and found six sucking pigs in a crate and the carcasses of three, that had been recently slaughtered and the defendant cleaning them.

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"The Estimates contain little contentious matter, and it is fully realised that, in view of the estimated revenue for 1936 being so much lower than that for 1935, it is essential that the Government should refrain from starting expenditure on new Public Works of magnitude.

"At the same time we regret that many useful Public Works, over 100 in number, in the list marked 'considered but not included in the draft estimates' (with which the Government kindly supplied us) have had to be postponed owing to present financial stress.

Excess Water Charges
"It is satisfactory to note that, for the time being, no new taxation is being imposed, and we are glad to see that the Government is reducing the charges for excess water.

"It is also satisfactory that, notwithstanding the need for drastic economy, the Queen Mary Hospital is being vigorously proceeded with, whilst the 75-foot road from Causeway Bay to Minz Yuen (now known as King's Road), the Central British School and the new Kowloon Magistracy will be completed next year.

"Regarding retrenchment of staffs, we are glad to learn that the Government is carefully considering whether it is absolutely necessary to fill up posts as vacancies occur. Our staff of Civil Servants is a very large one, even after making the fullest allowance for the fact that the Government has also to perform the duties of a Municipality. Indeed it is considered by some that we have too many regulations in this Colony and too large a staff of subordinate officers fussing about and worrying people regarding the meticulous observance of the regulations.

"Also the prevalent notion that Police Officers and Sanitary Inspectors acquire merit by prosecuting people is apt to render the Government unpopular and to make the man in the street consider that we could do with fewer of such officers.

Additional Police Defences
"We approve of the additional Police defences which are being erected on the frontier and of the extra police engaged for that purpose. The growing population of the New Territories justifies better police protection against raids by bandits.

"We approve of the two new postal kiosks and of the improved postal deliveries in outside parts of the Colony, and also of the short-wave telephone transmitter which was recommended by the Economic Commission.

Under Public Works Department
"We agree that in these times of depression it is advisable to retain as many employees as possible on a temporary basis.

"In regard to Government House and City Development, we consider that the Government is wise to call a halt, for the time being, to a scheme of this expensive nature, which originated in more prosperous times.

"With reference to the Shing Mun Dam, we note with pleasure the highly satisfactory progress which has been made, enabling some water to be impounded from the first of last month. We congratulate Mr. Gifford Hull and his staff upon being so well forward with this important scheme.

Anti-Malarial Work

"Shing Mun reminds us of the excellent anti-malarial work which has been done by Dr. R. B. Jackson and his staff not only in that neighbourhood but also in the Peak District, which is now more free from mosquitoes than it has been for very many years past. Also much good anti-malarial work has been and is being done in Kowloon Tong, Stanley, Shek O and elsewhere.

"A full report by Dr. Jackson on anti-malarial measures during 1934 appears on pages 116 to 158 of the Report of the Acting Director of Medical and Sanitary Services for 1934, and induces us to urge that, if possible, more money should be devoted to anti-malarial work than is at present included in the Estimates for 1936.

"We trust that the forthcoming cemetery extension at Hammer Hill will, in the course of the next ten years, enable the Central Cemetery at Kowloon to be released for building and other de-



The Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, Kt., M.C., Senior Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council, above, questioned the constitutionality of arrangements being made over the heads of the Unofficial Members with the Secretary of State as to the procedure for new taxation, should that be necessary, at this afternoon's Legislative Council meeting.

velopment purposes—a very necessary step forward in the town-planning of Kowloon.

"The Unofficial Members now proceed to deal with one part of the Colonial Secretary's Budget speech, to which they take the strongest exception.

Passage in Dispute
"The passage in question reads as follows:—

"In spite of all this, however, the Government would be failing in its duty if it did not contemplate in advance the steps that will have to be taken in 1936 if there should either be a sharp drop in the dollar rate or a serious decline in revenue or possibly both. As I have said, no additional taxation has been imposed in the existing circumstances; but it is as well that warning should now be given that this may be necessary if the state of the public finances in 1936 should show some serious deterioration. It is also desirable that a warning should be given that a temporary levy on all Government salaries, both dollar and sterling, may be necessary before the end of 1936 in the circumstances referred to, and that the Secretary of State has already given his sanction to action on these lines. It is unnecessary at the moment to go into details of proposals which will only be required in the event of a contingency which we hope will not arise."

Whilst the Unofficial Members cordially echo the hope expressed by the Colonial Secretary that such a contingency will not arise, and that our Budget for 1936 will not become unbalanced, we strongly object to any additional taxation being imposed to meet any such deficit in our finances, if it should unfortunately occur.

Civil Service Cuts
"Our contention is that any such deficit ought to be made good exclusively by cuts in the salaries of Civil Servants.

"In support of this contention of ours we beg leave to remind the Government of certain facts, which preceded the considerable increase in salaries which came into force on the 1st January, 1931.

"These facts are:—
(I) That the Unofficial Members, in June 1930, very strongly opposed such increases of salaries, and that it was then pointed out by Mr. John Owen Hughes, the then Senior European Unofficial Member (see Hansard for 1930, at p. 77) that, at the exchange of 1s. 10d., such increases of salaries would result in the Colony having to pay \$2,000,000 extra for the increases in sterling and dollar salaries.

(II) That the direct consequences were (see Hansard for 1930 at pages 176 and 177) that the Government were compelled, in order to balance their Budget for 1931, to impose the following additional taxation, namely:—
(1) An Amusement Tax, to produce 3 lakhs of dollars.
(2) Increases in Light Dues and in fees for Government Buys, and in other items of revenue affecting shipping, estimated to bring in \$364,000.

(3) The increase of the General Assessment Rate by 4% from 18% to 17%, to bring in about \$1,400,000.

"Those additional taxes, imposed to meet those increases of salaries, are still with us, and, in times of depression like the present, they are even less popular than when they were first imposed.

Unjust Taxation
"Accordingly, the Unofficial Members contend that the taxpayers of this Colony are already paying amply for those increases of salaries (which are still in force) and that to make the taxpayers pay more in 1936, if a sharp drop in the dollar should

unbalance the Budget, is a palpable injustice to the taxpayers of this Colony.

"In such an event, as already stated, the Civil Servants ought solely to bear the burden of such a drop, to the exclusion of the taxpayers, who have already been sufficiently mulcted.

"At this point somebody may ask:—

"Why do the Unofficial Members raise this protest just now, instead of waiting for the contingency to occur?"

"Our answer to that, Sir, is that we gather, from the above-quoted passage in the Colonial Secretary's speech, that the Government has already been in communication with the Secretary of State on the subject of the possible deficit, and that the Secretary of State has already, without the Unofficial Members or of the Finance Committee of this Council being consulted in any way, 'sanctioned' a scheme whereby such deficit is to be met partly by additional taxation and partly by cuts in the salaries of Government Civil Servants.

Unconstitutional
"That procedure of the Government we object to as being unconstitutional.

"We are painfully aware of the fact that the Unofficial Members of this Council are in all matters of voting in a hopeless minority, but surely that fact makes it all the more imperative that they should at least be consulted before any definite arrangement is come to with the Secretary of State for meeting a possible deficit in the finances of the Colony by means of additional taxation. "Perhaps we may be told that we Unofficials shall be consulted in the emergency in question should arise, but what a farce any such consultation must be, in view of the passage in the above-quoted speech of the Colonial Secretary, in which he says:—

"The Secretary of State has already given his sanction to action on these lines, i.e., on the lines of partly meeting such a deficit by additional taxation."

Civil Servants' Privileges
"In further support of our contention, that, in the event of such a deficit unfortunately arising, the taxpayers should not share the burden with the Civil Servants, we would point out that

(i) Civil Servants possess the following very valuable privileges, namely, pensions, passages for themselves and family, housing or rent allowance, privileged rates for medical attendance, continuity of employment, safety of employment and protection against arbitrary dismissal.

(ii) That, as the result of the present depression, very drastic cuts have already been made in the salaries of their employees by many business houses in this Colony, and

(iii) That in many British Colonies, in order to meet bad times, cuts in salaries or in allowances have already been made and are still in force.

"To pass on:—We have no doubt that the residents of this Colony will continue to face up to the present difficult situation with resolute courage, but we most strongly deprecate their being saddled with additional taxation.

"We are convinced that a low exchange would much benefit our local industries, and would also, by causing an influx of capital for investment, tend to relieve the present abnormal stagnation in business conditions. Incidentally, too, a low dollar would improve our tourist traffic.

"In conclusion we would add that we place great reliance upon that close co-operation between all sections of this community which has been of such marked assistance to Hong Kong's progress in the past."

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continues with its present virulence Hong Kong, which has been built up on the opposite policy, is bound to suffer. Circumstances compel us to reconsider from top to bottom the scale of an administration which has grown up in more prosperous days.

Shipping Charges
"The Committee of the Chamber of Commerce fully appreciate the Government's suggestion."

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(3) In framing estimates of revenue and expenditure regard should be had not only to the conditions of the moment but also to the general probabilities over a cycle of years.

(4) While every effort should be made by Government to assist the recovery of trade it would not be proper to assume that recovery will be sufficiently rapid to justify regarding the present emergency as one of a purely temporary nature, which can legitimately be tided over by the use of surplus balances.

(5) Estimates should be drawn up on the assumption that the present conditions are likely to prevail for some time to come.

Financial Warning
"I accept these principles as immutable as the laws of the Medes and Persians and I am gravely perturbed at the prospect of an estimated deficit of \$830,000, after taking from our surplus balances the sum of \$2,036,789, thereby in one year reducing our surplus balances to the minimum figure permitted by the Secretary of State; particularly as it follows the year 1935 in which we have already an estimated deficit of \$152,966, and the year 1934 which had an actual deficit of \$1,574,870.

"This dipping, year after year, into our surplus balances must stop, or we shall inevitably find ourselves in a most difficult position."

"In 1934 we budgeted at 1/3 and were fortunate in getting an average rate of 1/6 1/16, whilst in 1935 we budgeted at 1/4 and were lucky to experience an average rate of 2/0 3/16. Notwithstanding these favourable rates, substantial deficits followed. To-day we are budgeting at 1/8 and who will venture to foretell the future?"

"The exchange factor is always a problem in budgeting—to-day it is more than a problem: it is a menace."

Novel Economic Situation
"The economic position which this Colony faces to-day is not only peculiar but, I believe, novel in its history. The difficulties are not the known factors, for these can be met by counter measures, but it is the nebulous uncertainty, the sword of Damocles that hangs suspended, which may or may not fall; probably it will, but when no one can tell.

"In the past we have always had a sound currency basis to work on for the purpose of budgeting, as there has existed a solid and natural value of silver. To-day no one can predict what to-morrow will bring forth."

Government's unwillingness to sacrifice any source of revenue in times like these, nevertheless they hope that opportunity will be taken to make such readjustments as will lead to a reduction in charges on shipping. Although still severely depressed, shipping is likely to be our mainstay in the years immediately ahead and should be encouraged as much as possible. The danger that work might be driven away from this port on account of charges higher than are levied elsewhere is obvious to everybody.

"The Chamber of Commerce also hopes to see a reduction in postal charges. High exchange recently has not helped business, but it has helped the Government to meet its liabilities to other Administrations for postal services. Some readjustment seems to be due.

Govt. Telephone System

"Looking around, as everyone is doing, for possibilities of economising, the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce also suggests that abolition of the Government telephone system might be considered. It scarcely seems an economic proposition to maintain a separate system to serve subscribers whose names occupy six pages in the Telephone Directory and it might be cheaper, in the long run to add them to the system which serves 270 pages of subscribers. In the search for ways and means of reducing the cost of administration which must, I think, occupy a great deal of attention in the next few years, perhaps the Government will consider this suggestion."

"For years past the currency policy of this Colony has been to keep the value of our dollar in line with that of China. To-day the margin is such that trading becomes almost impossible. The currency of China at the moment is, I believe, no longer on silver but is a managed currency; and who knows what the next move will be?"

"The value of silver has, we are told, been artificially enhanced by the policy of the United States of America and that a continuance of this policy will provide them with most of the available stocks of this metal. Who will venture to prophesy how long this policy will be maintained?"

Times Quoted

"I should like to draw attention to an extract from the City Notes of the London Times of August 15 last which states as follows:—
"Monetary disturbance was caused in the East when America was busy forcing up the price of silver, and now a great disturbance is being caused by a reversal of that policy."

Hong Kong is faced with an awkward problem, for yesterday her exchange fell one penny to 1/11 1/2, being a rate below export point. Ordinarily the Hong Kong authorities by modest operations in silver would have been able to correct this position, but with one large buyer exercising absolute predominance over the silver market it is impossible for the authorities to resort with the same confidence to the usual adjusting."

"I believe the above position has arisen on more than one occasion when a flight of currency from this Colony might have taken place but for the action of the Chief Manager of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. The able way in which he has controlled our currency position has met with universal appreciation."

"A survey of the Colony's trade figures is hardly encouraging and one knows only too well the difficult times through which all mercantile concerns are passing."

"But for the favourable movements in exchange in the years 1934 and 1935 the deficits, substantial as they were, would have been considerably larger and revenue-raising devices or curtailment of expenditure would have become essential."

Further Dwindling Seen

"The Honourable Colonial Treasurer, in his able and lucid Memorandum, indicates, under the heading '1936' the general falling-off of revenue and the possibility of further shrinkage in various directions. The Honourable Colonial Secretary has also drawn our notice to the same possibility. Personally I take an even less hopeful view; in fact, I am of the opinion that there must be a further dwindling of our revenue."

"The principal items of the Public Works Extraordinary which we have on hand are essential to the Colony and had already been too long delayed—chief of these are the Queen Mary Hospital, the Central British School, the Magistracy at Kowloon, the New Gaol and, most important of all, our water schemes. Of these the water schemes and the new gaol are Loan Works but the others have to be paid for out of current revenue."

"No one will deny the importance and absolute necessity of these works, nor will anyone cavil at the money judiciously spent on them, but the most scrupulous care must be taken to ensure that they are provided in a manner suitable for the purposes for which they have been provided and that misguided enthusiasm or individual sentiment is not allowed to run riot in luxury and extravagance. Care must be taken that we are not providing an Eldorado for those less fortunately circumstanced in South China, or creating a standard which will be an undue strain on our resources to maintain."

Short Survey Of Position

"Before proceeding further I think a short survey of the local position is not out of place, to enable us to get a correct perspective of business conditions as they in fact exist to-day."

"The stock market is a fair barometer and I have obtained the market values of various popular shares, taking the highest prices in the year 1933 and the approximate values to-day."

"In 1933 the shares of the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Company Limited touched 29 1/4 to-day they stand at 12 1/2."

"In 1933 the shares of the Hong Kong Electric Company Limited touched 78 to-day they stand at 52 1/4."



The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D., warmly advocated closer economic relations with Canton in his Budget speech at the Legislative Council meeting this afternoon.

52 1/4.
"In 1933 the shares of the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company Limited touched 145 to-day they stand at 73."

"In 1933 the shares of the Hong Kong Land Investment & Agency Company Limited touched 80 to-day they stand at 22."

"In 1933 the shares of the Hong Kong & Shanghai Hotels Limited touched 10.90 to-day they stand at 3."

"In 1933 the shares of the Hong Kong Tramways Company Limited touched 23 1/2 to-day they stand at 10.65."

"These shares represent a part of the life-blood of this Colony and it is on the security of their values that much business is transacted."

"Perhaps our most solid asset is our landed property. Here the values cause us to think seriously. Rents on an average have fallen somewhere in the neighbourhood of 30 to 35 per cent in the past two years and the value of property about 40 per cent. These percentages are worked out on a broad basis for the whole Colony and are intended to represent middle figures. I have obtained them from two of our leading architects."

Setback To Trade

"From the merchants we hear on all sides complaints of lack of business, and who is there who has not written down his balance sheet by something in the neighbourhood of 50 per cent? Who have not made efforts to reorganise, reduce staffs, made cuts in salaries and generally attempted to economise in all directions?"

"In view of the circumstances prevailing how can Government expect to collect revenue to anything like the extent it did in more prosperous times? It cannot, and it will not."

"Bearing in mind these facts, and taking into consideration the great uncertainty of the exchange, what should be done?"

"I am not for a moment suggesting that present conditions are permanent: they are a passing phase of very uncertain duration which, like similar cycles of depression in the past, have had to be faced. The Colony has no public debt worth speaking of, its speculative position is moderate compared with many other places and the general situation is that of a cash position. In these circumstances the Colony will easily adjust itself and, when recovery comes, it will come quickly."

Inadequate Drops

"I am not unmindful of the fact that in the 1934 Estimates of Public Works Recurrent there was a reduction of \$78,750 and in 1935 of \$148,100, but these drops in the ocean are quite inadequate if we are going to ensure a balanced budget and not continue to draw further on our surplus balances. We must have a 10 per cent reduction on the Colony's total expenditure, which would mean reducing the estimated total expenditure to \$28,638,334 and would balance the budget with a small margin in hand."

"How this is to be done I am not in a position to say, as I have not the special knowledge of Government Departments, but I do know that if I have \$100 in my Bank I can't spend \$120. Govern-

ment only has the knowledge of how it can be done, and done it must be, otherwise Sir William Peel's successor will find a position far more difficult to tackle than it is to-day."

"It can only be done by a careful survey of every branch of Government Service with a view to effecting substantial economies, and as a hint I would suggest that Government might, with advantage, turn its eyes on the Medical, Education and Harbour Departments, where some substantial economies might be made."

"Government servants so far have been more fortunate than their colleagues in other Colonies as regards cuts in their salaries, although it cannot be denied a rising-dollar automatically produces to the recipient fewer dollars on a sterling salary and thereby costs the Government less. But as far as Government servants in this Colony are concerned, they receive their salaries at the rate of the day, up to 2s. Acting allowances, travelling allowances, house allowances and rents should receive attention."

No Increased Taxation
"I think it is the unanimous view of the public that increased taxation is out of the question at the present time."

"Should Government be of the opinion that an immediate reduction of 10 per cent in the Colony's total expenditure is absolutely impossible then I must press for a reduction of 5 per cent and the taking of \$1,000,000 only from the surplus balances, leaving a further \$1,000,000 to assist us in tiding over the year 1937. Any other course would in my opinion be financially indefensible and fraught with the gravest danger."

"These proposals should place no undue strain on the Government administration, as it is always open to Government to come to the Finance Committee for a supplemental vote in case of absolute necessity."

"My experience of life is that if there is money in the till it will surely be spent, whilst a deterrent such as the necessity for a supplemental vote compels the Head of the Department concerned to think twice before he comes before the Finance Committee and applies for more money."

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"I am aware that there are not wanting people who believe that Hong Kong is lightly taxed, compared with other parts of the Empire. This belief is, as I have more than once pointed out, based on faulty premises. So much of our population is of a migratory character that to compare our tax-burdens per head with those of other places is fallacious and futile. It is on the settled portion of the population that the preponderating part of the burden falls, as it is with them that the main-springs of our economic activity are to be found."

Reduced Taxation

"In my opinion, formed after careful study of the prevailing conditions, the Government, instead of contemplating new taxation, should devise means of positive amelioration. Our trade is more than ever depressed, but so far only negative fiscal measures have been taken; and now even the policy of avoiding fresh taxes may go by the board. Surely it would be wise statesmanship to venture upon a positive fiscal policy, not of new taxation, but of lightening the burden of the people."

The Assessed Tax

"Speaking in the Budget debate last year, I strongly urged a reduction of the Assessment Tax by 4 per cent as a temporary expedient. I need not repeat at length the arguments which I then adduced, and which, I have reason to believe, had and have the support of a large proportion of the community. I am more than ever convinced that, as a means of restoring prosperity, a reduction in the Tax is essential. Not for a moment do I delude myself with

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the belief that there would then be no further obstacles in the way of recovery; but I do say that there is imperative need for a stimulus of this nature to induce a favourable turn of trade.

Surplus Balances

"In order to meet the loss of revenue, which I believe would be only temporary, I advocated last year that we should draw upon the Colony's surplus balances. Even more strongly do I now believe that such a recourse to our balances would be not only justified, but a wise and constructive policy. If the pressure of costs upon our trade is alleviated in this way, can anyone say that no impetus would thereby be given to that trade? The impetus would, I believe, be emphatic; profits would become possible; and trade would increase. As trade increased, public revenues would expand, and the Colony's surplus, if not left intact, would at all events not suffer the attenuation that some fear."

"I have already expressed the view that to keep a reserve with the avowed object of enabling the Colony to meet emergencies, and then to define emergencies as to exclude all conceivable conjunctures, is illogical. Are not the times through which we are passing times of emergency? Are we not suffering from the greatest economic depression the Colony has ever experienced? A reserve which is eternally inviolate is a useless excrement. By using it, in circumstances like the present, we lighten the burden of trade and industry, and what is more important, give positive aid and stimulus to their revival, which would, in turn, benefit our revenue. I would even go to the length of saying that, if we try to conserve the surplus without taking any constructive action, we may, as things go, lose it; but if we use it wisely, we may still have it."

Local Appointments

"There is one form of economy which, in my view, has not been exercised to the extent it should be. I refer to the employment of 'local men' in the Government Service. By throwing open to them many of the posts now held by Europeans, a considerable saving in the cost of administration would be effected without loss of efficiency."

"In times past the lack of suitable recruiting material might have been pleaded against this proposition, but that plea can no longer stand. From the University, from the high schools, there is a steady flow of well-educated and steady young men, many of whom, in these hard times, can find no employment, and thus, are unable to make use of the knowledge they have acquired. The Government may well utilise this splendid material for the more responsible offices as far as possible."

"I am aware that the Government have in recent years adopted a more liberal policy in this matter; but it does not go far enough; nor are its results likely to be other than negligible in comparison with the actual needs. In other parts of the Empire—I need only instance India and Ceylon where, as here, the beneficent rule of Great Britain is grounded upon co-operative endeavour, employment of the natives of the land in administrative posts of all grades, has proceeded far. Here in Hong Kong we lag behind. The present policy does not conduce to the best interests of the Colony; for, apart from financial reasons, good men will not commit their life career to a service in which there is for them very little scope for betterment in spite of the highest qualities and qualifications."

Tourist Trade

"The Government are to be congratulated upon the official aid and encouragement they have given to the project for promoting our 'tourist trade,' a project which holds out the hope of better things to come. This scheme is the outcome of suggestions made by the Hon. Mr. Mackie and myself in the Budget debate last year, and it is gratifying to see the promptness with which those suggestions have been taken up by the Government."

"In this matter, it seems that the Government have been more appreciative of the public's needs and interests than the public itself. I say this because I am informed that the response of the community to the appeal made by the Travel Association for funds has been disappointing. Of the amount that has been subscribed, the bulk comes from public companies and European firms. Although these companies represent Chinese capital to no small extent, it is a pity that the direct response from the Chinese community has been so meagre. I should like to see a much more individual and direct encouragement from that quarter."

"I avail myself of the opportunity which this meeting affords, to impress upon all that this project is one which will undoubtedly bring very valuable results. Some may think that the benefits will accrue only to certain classes of the community; but I assure them that a large influx of visitors and the development of the Colony as a resort cannot but be, directly or indirectly, of value to everyone, whether he be the head of a large firm, or a small tradesman, or even a rickshaw-puller. It is to be hoped that everyone will realise the great potentialities of this organisation, and support it to the best of his ability."

Bathing Pavilions

"In some ways connected with this project are the bathing pavilions at North Point, which are a distinct attraction to visitors from Canton and other neighbouring regions. At the risk of appearing importunate, I would once more urge the Government to conserve, as long as possible, these pavilions, which are also a very necessary means of recreation and health to large numbers of our inhabitants. Meanwhile, with a view to maintaining and enhancing the amenities of the Colony, it would be wise for the Government to look for and reserve other sites which would serve the same purpose, and be easy of access to people of the middle and lower classes."

Municipal Recreation Ground

"The amenities of the Colony can further be enhanced by the provision of a public recreation ground open to all sections of the community, where golf, football, tennis and other forms of recreation would be available at small fees to those for whom private sports clubs are too expensive. There is no need to point out how such facilities would add to the attractiveness of Hong Kong. The municipal resorts of England and other countries depend to a great extent on the provision of such recreation grounds."

"From time to time during the last fifteen years, there have been spasmodic attempts here to initiate such a scheme by private enterprise, but for one reason or another they fell through. I am informed that the Government are prepared to consider applications for this purpose with regard to an available site at Aberdeen, but it is difficult in these times for private enterprise to undertake a project of this magnitude. Yet the scheme is one which may well be considered as a public necessity from the point of view of the health and fitness of the community, as well as of the material profits to the Colony which I have mentioned. It would therefore be a good policy for the Government to undertake the financial outlay required, much of which might be expected to be reimbursed in the course of time through fees."

Relations With Canton

"I should like, if I may, to dwell for a moment on the relationship between Hong Kong and Canton. That it is essential to maintain good relations with our neighbour all recognise. That the relations now subsisting are cordial and sympathetic, everyone will also admit. But the exchange of friendly visits from time to time, necessary and gratifying as it is, is not enough. We should endeavour to assist and co-operate with each other in the active promotion of interport trade, for the interests of the two places are interdependent, and the fortunes of the one are bound up with those of the other."

"I am convinced that much could be achieved in this direction, were serious steps taken towards formulating a common policy, and it is my earnest hope that the Government will give this matter the consideration which its importance deserves."



SAM DARCY
Pacific Coast Organizer



EARL BROWDER
Secretary, U. S. Communist



WILLIAM Z. FOSTER
Red Presidential Candidate



GEORGE DIMITROFF
Member of Comintern

The reported speeches of these men at the Seventh World Congress of the Comintern at Moscow are held chiefly responsible for the strong note handed the Soviet Government by Ambassador William C. Bullitt in which the United States threatened to sever diplomatic relations unless the Soviets suppress the conspiracies originating on Russian soil to overthrow the American form of government. The note holds that their activities have broken pledges given in 1933 when the United States recognised the Soviet Government.

Budget Debates

"Now, reverting to the direct subject of the Budget, I put forward for Your Excellency's consideration a suggestion relating to the discussion of the annual Estimates in Council. Hitherto, with one or two exceptions, the practice has been to pass the second and third readings of the Appropriation Bill at one sitting."

"The debate on the Budget is an occasion of great importance to the community. Speeches are made by almost every individual member, and the points raised by them are numerous and varied. It is well-nigh impossible, even though advance copies of the official members' speeches are furnished to the Government a day or two beforehand, for all the criticisms and suggestions to be given adequate consideration. Furthermore, no opportunity whatsoever is afforded the public to formulate and express their views on the points raised before they are disposed of for good or ill. It is a recognised rule of good administration everywhere to ascertain the trend of public opinion upon debatable issues before proceeding to action. I would therefore make the suggestion that in future a separate date, say a week later, may be set aside for the third reading."

A Personal Note

"I apologise for having spoken so long; but as this is my last appearance in this Honourable Council, I trust that you, Sir, and my honourable colleagues will be indulgent. It is to me a striking coincidence that my last utterance in this assembly should be on the Budget, an instrument which has been almost my constant concern since 1903. For thirteen years in the Colonial Secretary's Office it was my duty to assist in the preparation of the Estimates; even after my resignation from the Government Service I still performed this duty for the Government for a year—during the War, in 1916, to be precise; and from 1923 until now. The Budget has ever occupied my close attention, as a 'member in opposition.' So as it is 32 years since I first directed my mind to the annual Estimates, it is perhaps fitting that my last word here should be of them."

"Congratulations And Thanks
"May I, in conclusion, associate myself with the Honourable Senior Unofficial member in his expression of congratulations and thanks to all those responsible for the production of the Budget before us—to Sir Thomas Southern and Mr. D. W. Tratman, to the Hon. Colonial Treasurer and the Hon. Director of Public Works, and to Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham, to whom I also offer sincere felicitations on his well-merited promotion."

"It is a matter of great regret to all of us that illness overtook Sir Thomas Southern and Mr. Tratman just on the completion of their arduous labour on the Estimates. I offer them my deepest sympathy, and wish them a speedy and complete recovery."

"I desire also to congratulate Your Excellency on your lucid and comprehensive presentation of the Budget, and on the statesmanlike commentary which accompanied your exposition. The Colony is fortunate that at a time when it is deprived of the able guidance of both the senior officials—in the civil administration, the temporary control of its affairs should rest in such capable hands."

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indefensible on any grounds whatsoever. The increase might be accompanied by some satisfactory explanation of the attitude adopted by the Secretary of State since there exist serious doubts as to the wisdom of the continuance of a contentious policy.
"A telegram from Geneva, dated September 6, 1935, informs the Far Eastern world that the League Council paid a tribute to the Chinese Government in the matter of opium suppression, and expressed the hope that it would finally rid China of the drug evil. On the ground of expediency alone, the Colony should, to my mind, forego an item of revenue for the great beneficial results which the extinguishment of the opium monopoly would bring about in the Colony. Hong Kong has acted in the past at the behest of the League of Nations on the question of one of its features of the social evil, and it may well now forestall the indicated 'necessity of tightening up regulations' with regard to opium. Support is lent to this suggestion by the Colonial Secretary's remark—the conflicting statement—that 'this Colony must carry out its international obligations as regards opium.'"

Social Services

"The wisdom of refraining from reducing expenditure for social services will commend itself to most citizens. An important aspect of the question of these services has, I am afraid, never been emphasised in the past. Unstinted praise and credit cannot fairly be withheld from the various religious associations, irrespective of their denominations, for establishing institutions for philanthropic work and maintaining large staffs for whose services the Colonial contributions represent a very small part of the capital involved, part of which is from abroad, in the erection of buildings and the upkeep of the special personnel who form such an important item amongst our important assets."

"It is with regret that I note a proposal to effect a reduction in the Medical Department of the salary of one Nursing Sister. I have had the benefit for some time of personal acquaintance with the duties demanded and cheerfully rendered in this important Government department. Personally, I would recommend that Government retain the Nursing Sister, in addition to the departmental requirement of another assistant Matron, on the staff of the Medical Department, instead of dispensing with her next year, although I am not unmindful that the Sister will be replaced by two midwives on a dollar salary. It is not the wisest step to pursue on the ground of economy, consonant with the efficiency of the hospital."

Local Employment

"Unfettered appreciation must be expressed of the Government's experiment in the substitution of sterling-paid men whose duties can be efficiently performed by Asiatic members of the staff. I have repeatedly urged the scheme to Government in the past; it can be profitably repeated to-day. The proposal to broaden this successful trial, which has passed its experimental stage, is one that is commendable both from the point of view of economy and the ab-

sorption of local men for employment. To my sorrow I can observe the growing tendency of the local unemployment problem, and it behoves those in authority whose duty it is effectively to check this undesirable growth to adopt remedial measures for its prevention."

"The Colonial Secretary refers to the Treasurer's lucid memorandum to explain the decrease in Railway receipts. One of the reasons given for this decrease is a reduction in the passenger traffic to Shumchun. I do not regard the diminution of the Shumchun traffic with any regret or misgiving. Frankly, I would say that the stimulation of that traffic is as unwise as it is undesirable. I know that I am treading on thin ice when I say that the facilities afforded in conspicuous public places for drawing attention to the 'amusements' in question such as exist beyond our border are, to put it mildly, in bad form. Is it too much to hope that they may be removed?"

"Up to this stage I have dealt with a few of the more salient features, as they appear to me, of the Colonial Secretary's statement that invite comments."

Kowloon Problems

"I now approach more familiar subjects nearer my home ground. They deal with questions affecting Kowloon."

"The re-laying of the untidy open space by the Railway fence on Chatham Road involves a very slight expenditure for the improvement which the site will offer to residents in the vicinity and to visitors to the Colony. To take in hand one section is praiseworthy in itself. This partial improvement has become very noticeable. Kowloon residents will appreciate prosecution of the work to include the entire strip of land as soon as any savings can be made in the expenditure of the Public Works Department. There is all to commend the beautifying of open spaces on the Peninsula. On aesthetic grounds it is highly desirable, and, added to that recommendation, in the absence of public parks improvements are called for in the interests of public convenience and necessity."

"Let us hope that it will not be long before the finances of the Colony will permit of the erection of a public band-stand on this magnificent ground by the sea where music can be discoursed of an evening in the warm summer time."

"A small public work of much utility commends itself for the benefit of those who have to resort to the Kowloon Hospital for medical attention and advice and to bus patrons also. To the ordinary observer it will be seen that no shelter or waiting places for the buses is provided for those who make use of the Hospital. I feel sure a suitable cover or shelter can be erected in the open space at the junction of Argyle and Waterloo Roads, at comparatively small cost, that would be greatly appreciated."

Insufficient Lighting

"The cutting down of expenditure for lighting both on the Island and on the mainland is greatly to be deplored. Accidents occur through poor and insufficient lighting, more so in public thoroughfares so dimly lighted as at Kowloon. The obligation is imposed upon Government, in presence of recommendations by Coroner's Jury during the year, to improve the lighting rather than to reduce it. It is noticed that on the Hong

Kong side a saving of \$15,000 is proposed for 1936, and at New Kowloon a saving of \$1,000, \$15,000 in all. Whether the economy is a wise one remains to be proved, but public opinion strongly advocates better and improved lighting for the personal safety of pedestrians and motor car drivers. Owners of motor vehicles contribute quite an appreciable amount of the revenue in the petrol they consume and for the licences they pay."

"Neglected Homantin clamours for some minor favours as a despised child of a paternal Government. The locality is favoured as the home of quite a number of families. Having nowhere else to play, dozens of children living in the district have of necessity to use the streets as playgrounds. Residents justly claim for some reserved open space near by for the children to play in."

"The oft-repeated complaint of the prevalence of malarial mosquitoes in the district since the early days of its settlement continues to persist. It is alleged that the presence of market gardens in the vicinity is to be held partly responsible for malaria; it is worth inquiring into. This last summer cases of malaria have been very numerous. Despite complaints in the columns of the local newspapers urging anti-malarial measures, the district has been comparatively neglected, and nothing much has been done to eradicate the evil."

"Flushing facilities, due to the lack of drainage improvement, are conspicuous by their absence."

Inadequate Bus Services

"The devious routes and infrequency of the buses, especially during business hours, causes considerable inconvenience to a large number of residents, and to those who have to visit the Kowloon Hospital. Public convenience demands attention to the inadequacy of the service."

"Finally, Homantin taxpayers make a point of the inequity of the public amenities they obtain on the whole from a Government to which they pay the same proportional rates and taxes as residents in other parts of the Colony. This is a problem to which it appears difficult to turn a deaf ear, and one whose urgency demands immediate and satisfactory solution."

"For the marketing of New Territory produce it is satisfactory to note that provision has been made for increased facilities in Kowloon for the sale in bulk of vegetables. This was recommended by the 1933 New Territories Produce Marketing Committee. The scheme appears to be doing much good, and in the opinion of the District Officer (North) it is stimulating local vegetable production."

"In this connection I have received a Chinese letter from the Executive Committee of the New Territories Agricultural Association, who seek permission from the Government for the farmers to erect separate sheds on sites on which they could sell in the day time, and in which they could sleep at night, to avoid the necessity and expense of constant travelling."

"The Agricultural Association will be glad of permission for the erection of matcheds for the disposal of the farmers' produce in the manner suggested. Where the provision of cheaper perishable produce can be obtained without any infringement of the Sanitary

regulations, there is every reason to hope that Government might see fit to provide the desired facilities."

New Territories Development

"The District Officer (North) records in his annual report that development in lay-out areas involves the Government in a recurrent expenditure for the maintenance of roads, etc., and the growth of the Yuen Long Market is stated as being most striking. These statements lead to the conclusion that the development of the New Territories is proceeding apace. With such development, contractors may anticipate the necessity for transporting larger and bulkier structural materials, principally steel, to outlying districts."

"With heavier loads, the strengthening of roads and bridges is almost imperative if the Police exercise, as we know they do, their vigilance in preventing the use of roads by trucks and lorries exceeding a certain maximum specified weight. It should also be noted that some of the bridges were constructed many years ago, and the time seems to have arrived when their safety might be looked into before any serious mishap occurs."

"Some disappointment must be expressed at the absence of reference to the matter of pig breeding and poultry farming on the mainland. This disappointment is emphasised by the fact that a Committee of a few of Hong Kong's leading residents and businessmen have devoted much time and thought in collating evidence and in the formulation of recommendations for adoption by the Government. The failure to let the public into the Government's confidence on any projected scheme under consideration with regard to this matter is much to be regretted. Mr. C. F. Strickland's report of June 29, 1935, tabled at the last meeting of the Council, does not deal specially with the industries in question. Some assurance might be forthcoming from the Government that an enterprise of so much potential value and the trade to be created thereby in the Colony has not been lost sight of, and that implementation of the Committee's recommendations will be brought nearer the stage of accomplished facts in the immediate future."

New Road Needed

"The formation and inauguration of the Equine Sports Club at Shatin re-opens the vision of a large international park and playground in that district. When funds are available the starting of the first section of the circular road from Ngau Shi Wan to Salunkung and round to Shatin might be commenced. The first section is the small stretch from beyond the Kai Tak Aerodrome to Ma Yue Tong. The idea should commend itself for the scenic beauties of the country, and their attractions to tourists and motor car owners in Hong Kong."

"The recurrence of armed robberies in the New Territories has been giving residents cause for anxiety and alarm. The situation is, I am happy to think, engaging the attention of the Government, and the step proposed, among others, for increasing the strength of the Police to combat the growing evils of robbery and banditry should help to restore the confidence which has been badly shaken through the prevalence of robbery with violence in far-off districts in the Territories."

"The Government's decision to prosecute advanced public works of great magnitude to their conclusion is gratifying and must be endorsed as entirely satisfactory. There need be no abandonment of hope for the future when it is realised that the Government pursues its policy of the judicious and discriminate employment of labour, preferably in works of a reproductive character, and for the benefit of the public in whose safekeeping its destiny partly lies."

"Instead of a timidity that might have dictated the holding up of works of great public utility and for the protection of Society, the Government is continuing major public works at an expenditure in the aggregate of more than \$18,000,000. This can be set down to its credit. Added to these large public works are such as have been projected, initiated and completed by private enterprise with sub-

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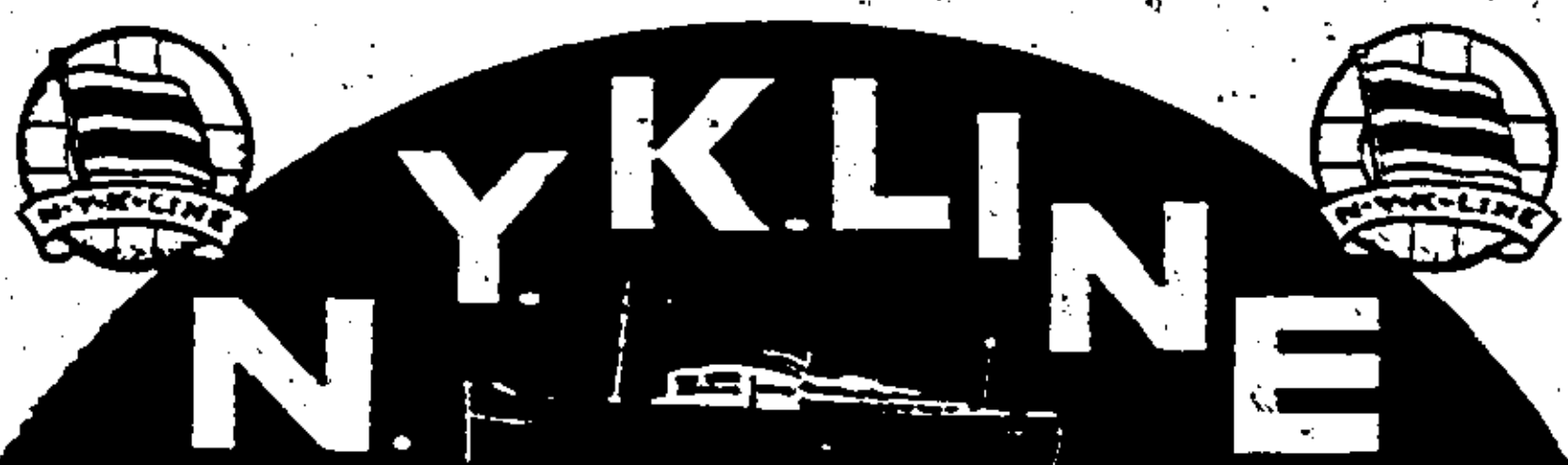
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"I'm Drowned," He Said...

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scribed money. Only a few of the most important ones need be mentioned. Like the deepening of the port, the electric supply schemes on both sides of the harbour, and the bulk transportation services on land and by water. These public and private achievements reflect creditably on the skill and exemplary spirit both of the Government and of its inhabitants, and proclaim that Hong Kong and its dependencies, despite extraneous influences, continue to retain their vitality and a spirit of courage and enterprise that cannot easily be subdued.

Financial Distress

"In conclusion, I wish to make to more than a brief reference to exchange and to the financial distress evident on all sides in the Colony, accentuated and to some considerable extent, even brought about by the high exchange. To justify this association of acute financial distress with a high exchange I have only to point to the languishing state of our industries and the frozen condition of our capital investments which have come to a crisis in the course of the last twelve months—a period which everybody recognises has synchronised with a high exchange and abnormally high in relation to China.

"Owing to the arrival of Sir Frederick Leith-Ross in China, I realise that this matter is, so to speak, *sub judice*.

"But it is evident that the level of exchange in the Colony in relation to China's exchange and to world prices generally, is an important factor in the commercial and industrial prosperity of Hong Kong and plays an important part in any budget not only in regard to expenditure but even more so, in the long run, in regard to revenue. I therefore hope that the benefits of Sir Frederick Leith-Ross's expert advice and great experience will be made available for this Colony, as well as China and that he will in due time be invited to visit Hong Kong in person."

FAST NEW HARBOUR TUNNEL

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Strange Corner

Those who pass through the tunnel come out into a strange corner of the world, leaving behind the beauty of the blue sea and finding the scars of modern industrialism. At the southwestern corner are immense petrol refining plants, tanks like gasometers, smoking chimneys, pipe-lines protruding from the rock, black tankers moored at the piers, and then here and there, surrounded by trees and laid out with playing fields and gardens, pleasant villages where the workmen dwell.

From the economic point of view, the saving in the carriage of this petrol from Iran and the East across Europe instead of around Spain and Portugal, must be considerable.

On the south-east of the lake is Marignane, an aeroplane and hydroplane port. This serves twelve regular air lines, and in 1932 was visited by 4,629 machines and several thousands of passengers.

Across France

The immensity of the developments in this outer region carried out by the Chamber of Commerce of Marseilles, with the help of the State, has to be seen to be believed. The methods of finance and control are too complicated to be described in a brief article. The indomitable spirit of man conquering the obstacles of Nature, and converting an exposed shore and a desolate lake into a chain of deep-water harbours, equipped with every device of modern engineering, must impress the visitor.

As he nears the Bove Tunnel, and looks through the entrance towards the tiny patch of open sky, seen over four miles away as, through a telescope, he realises the presence of the Frenchmen responsible for this industrial activity, who are looking ahead to A.D. 2000.

By that time they hope that the quickest route between the North Sea and the Scandinavian

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"Otherwise it was easy, was it?" I didn't want him to stop.

"Yes and no," he said. "Some of it was easy and some of it was hard. It took a lot of thinking out. First I found the place where I could hide the new clothes. It was an old cottage not far from the river, and I prised up a flagstone and scooped out a place under it. I had to get the new things bit by bit, because we were always hard up. One week I got the trousers, the next week the shirt, and so on. I had to get the cheapest clothes you could buy, because I used up a lot of money travelling to—"

He stopped abruptly.

"Travelling," he said "to the Bir Town. We lived in a small town, see, where everyone knew everyone else. They'd soon have rumbled me if I'd bought anything there. So I had to go to the Bir Town, where nobody knew me and where nobody would think anything about it anyway."

"You hid the new outfit in the old cottage near the river. What then?"

He looked up, quickly. "Yes. Then I had to wait for the rainy weather. I thought it would never come. Morning after morning I went down for my swim, knowing the whole outfit was there ready, and morning after morning I had to come out and dry myself and dress in my old things and go back—just because the river wasn't ready. You see, it was safe as a paddling-pool until we had four or five days' rain, when it got dangerous. It wasn't far to the sea, and with a strong outward current you might easily be washed away."

"But it was the finest Spring we'd had for years. It was actually June before the river got up to the height I wanted. Still, it was worth waiting for, to make a good job of it."

"Supposing you'd been seen?" I suggested.

He shook his head. "Not at that time in the morning. There was nobody near. That part was easy enough. I just undressed in the old cottage, took out my old clothes, put my swimming costume in their place, and dropped the flag back. Then I dressed in the new things, carried my old clothes to the bank and left them there in a pile." He sighed and shook his head.

"With the money in the trousers pocket. That was the worst of it. That made it all above-board, see. But it was hard to go off without a bob in my pocket and leave it there."

I thought about it for a while.

"What happened to you then?"

"Oh, I walked a little way up the river to a place where you can cross, higher up. Then I got a lift—oh, there was nothing in it then."

"And since then?"

"I've moved about some," he said, the grin returning.

I decided to risk the question.

"Did you have a wife or any family?"

He nodded his head several times. "Wife," he said. "No family. Just a wife, and one friend."

I said, leaning on the table:

"And the funniest thing of all is why they do it? Why did you do it?"

He got up without answering and went over to the cubby-hole where you pay for your food. When he had got his change he came over again, and looked down at me.

"When you're rich," he said, "you can just get divorced. When you're out of work you can't. I told you I had a friend, didn't I? He had his freedom and he wanted a wife. I had a wife and I wanted freedom. See?"

He started to go over to the door, then he came back, as though he had remembered something else.

"Another thing," he said. "He was earning good money and I wasn't. Stands to reason any wife will get on better with a husband who's earning good money, doesn't it?"

He grinned. He bowed, in a queer ironical way. He grinned again.

"So long..." he said.

"When I came out to the car a minute or two later there wasn't a soul to be seen on the dark cinder path."

(The End.)

countries, and the Mediterranean and the East, will be across France.



Worcester County Grand Jury at Fitchburg, Mass., returned a first degree murder indictment against Newell P. Sherman, former church choir and scoutmaster, in drowning of his wife, Alice, Sherman, allegedly infatuated with Miss Esther Magill, aged 17, is accused of overturning a canoe to drown his wife.

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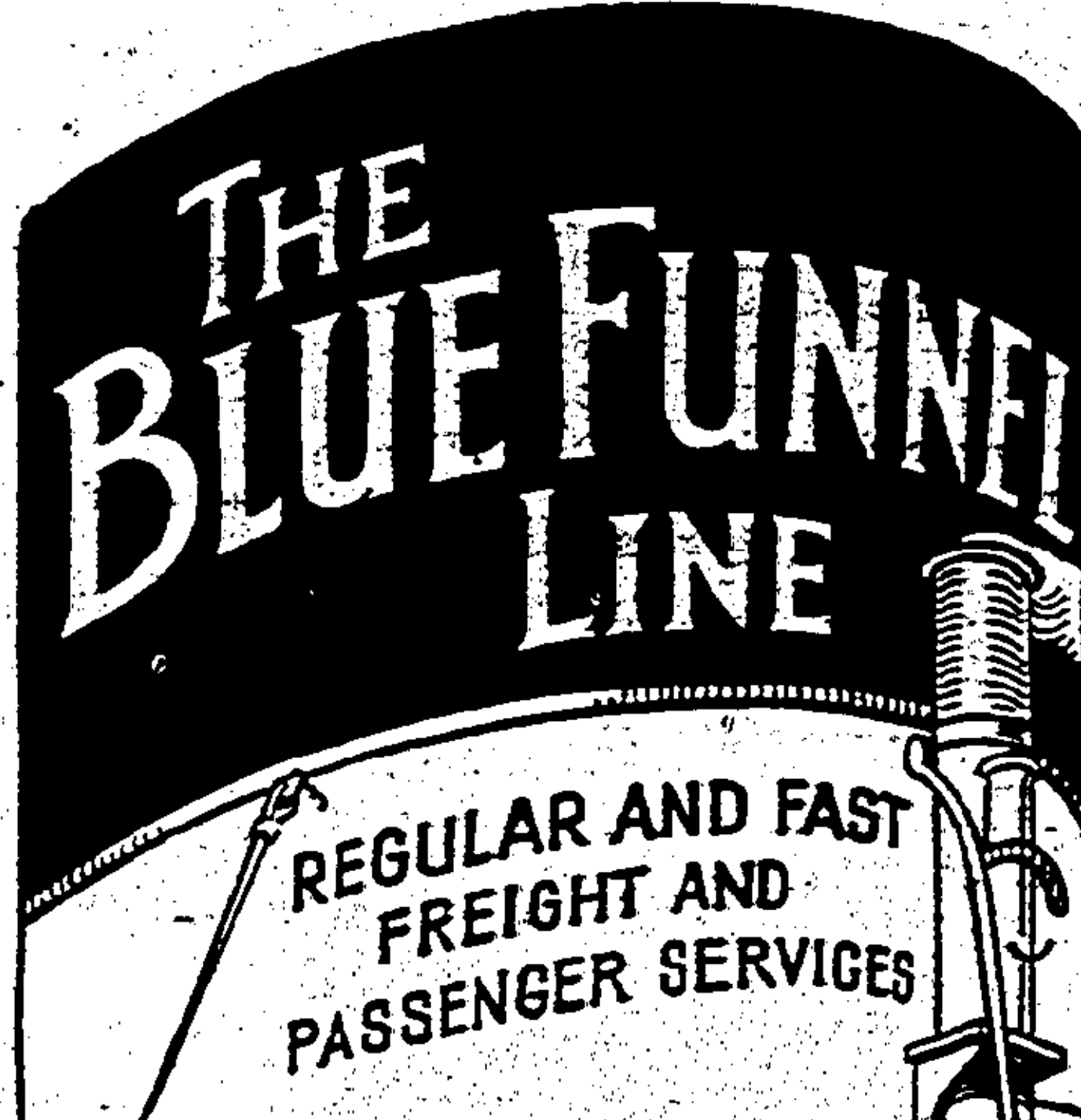
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CANTON-NANKING RELATIONS VERY UNSATISFACTORY

Nanking Turns Down Canton Proposals

REFUSES TO SUBMIT THEM TO KUOMINTANG

(From Our Own Correspondent)
Canton, To-day.
Relations between Canton and Nanking have been further strained by the refusal, though politely worded, of the latter to submit the four South-west proposals to the Fifth Kuomintang Congress on November 12.

The reason, according to the Nanking reply, is that the proposals were submitted a year ago and that there is no room for further proposals. In reply the South-west leaders sent another telegram to Nanking on Tuesday, saying that the Congress should not be held at all.

"What was submitted a year ago has been modified by subsequent events," the South-west telegram stated. The tone of the reply is firm but without bitterness.

The four proposals, as summarised by the Union News Agency, are: punishment of traitors who arranged various truces with Japan; punishment of terrorists; a definite foreign policy; and a reconstruction programme. These proposals, if put into effect, would mean the complete reorganisation of the present Nanking Government.

INLAND COMMERCIAL AIR ROUTES

Aerodrome Owners Association To Discuss Ground Organisation

London, To-day.
When the Aerodrome Owners' Association, which now has 44 affiliations, of which 30 are Municipal authorities possessing landing grounds, meets for its second annual conference next January, it hopes to be able to consider the report on the general survey which the Air Ministry has undertaken with a view to the planning of the main lines of development for inland commercial air routes and the necessary provision of ground organisation.—British Wireless Service.

MORE SHIPS ENTER UNITED KINGDOM PORTS

London, To-day.—The net tonnage of vessels which arrived at ports in the United Kingdom during August, with cargo for discharge at the port of arrival was 42 per cent. greater than in the same month last year, while the net tonnage of vessels that departed from ports at which they had loaded cargo was 1.9 per cent. greater than at the corresponding period last year.—British Wireless Service.

Mr. T. G. Gardner, driver of car No. 1524, reports that yesterday he collided with a rickshaw in Nanking Street and upset the vehicle which was carrying a European passenger, who was not hurt.

JAPANESE AND RICE IMPORTS INTO SWATOW

Hopes Of Peaceful Settlement

JAPANESE WARSHIPS STILL STANDING BY

(From Our Own Correspondent)
Canton, To-day.

An amicable settlement of the Swatow incidents is likely to-day in view of the fact that neither the Japanese nor the provincial Kwangtung Government desires any unpleasant development at this juncture.

Dr. Kan Chia-hou, Special Delegate of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, is investigating the matter with a view to a settlement. He declined to make a statement to-day, but promised to issue a communique later when necessary.

The question arose over the interpretation of the Sino-Japanese Commercial Treaty. The Japanese consular authorities state that their merchants are exempted by treaty from paying any inland tax on goods imported from Japan or a third country and that the detention of rice at Swatow imported by Japanese merchants is an infringement of the treaty.

The Provincial Department of Finance, however, regards the matter in a different light and imposes a tax on rice imported into Kwangtung regardless of the nationality of the importer.

One Japanese cruiser and six destroyers are at Swatow ready "to protect Japanese interests" if necessary.

ITALIAN VIOLATION OF FRONTIER

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only necessary to summon the Italian and Ethiopian delegates. The Italian delegation is at present in Rome, except minor officials.

NOT FINAL STEP?

League circles are unwilling to believe that Signor Mussolini has taken the final decisive step, but in view of the latest news from Addis Ababa and the test mobilisation Italy made yesterday, they view events with the greatest apprehension.

Italian circles, however, express the opinion that the Italian troops movements do not signify the actual opening of hostilities, but are merely movements to strategic positions.

FRONTIER INCIDENT

Paris: Three separate Italian columns, totalling 2,000 men, have penetrated the Mousa Ali region of Ethiopia, according to *Le Soir*, but have not yet made contact with Ethiopian regulars.

the post-war years, and is out of the question unless the principles themselves are to be sacrificed altogether.

"NEW BAILLOU D'ESSAI"
Paris: That a new Italian balloon d'essai was launched on Tuesday in the course of the conversations between M. Laval and the Italian Ambassador, Signor Cerruti, is the assertion made by the foreign political correspondent of *l'Ouvre*, Madame Tabouis, who states that H. Duce declared himself willing and contented with Italy being allocated by the League a mandate over those Abyssinian provinces which the Italian Government considers to be Ethiopian colonies, because they were annexed by the Emperor Menelik only 40 years ago. Abyssinia proper should, according to the Italian suggestion, be put under an international mandate.

Madame Tabouis expresses the opinion that the proposition is unacceptable from the standpoint of the League of Nations, and that Britain would probably never consent to discuss it.—Trans-Ocean Service.

ITALIAN OFFENSIVE COMMENCES

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ITALIAN FORCES

Rome: All Senators, Deputies and people holding important offices in the present regime who volunteered for military service in East Africa are to be put in command of the tactics sections, according to a communication just published by the War Ministry.

RAILWAY PRECAUTIONS

Djibouti: The French administration ruling the railway line from Addis Ababa to Djibouti are reminded of a clause in the concession, to the effect that the line becomes the property of the Abyssinian Government if the traffic is at any time suspended for more than two months.

To prevent the loss of its property the administration is taking all possible steps for the maintenance of the service in case of hostilities. Stocks of wood for firing the locomotives, have been laid in for fear that coal should become unobtainable. All movable and dispensable reserves of raw materials are being transferred to Djibouti.

German Reaction

BRITISH ANSWER AWAITED ANXIOUSLY

Berlin: At the present critical juncture, when the world peace seems to be threatened more than at any time since the Great War, the British Government Ministers' answer to France concerning the course to be followed to ensure collective safety and the conception of the manner the sanctions clause of the League Covenant should be applied in specific cases, is awaited in Germany with interest, where the ardent desire of the Government and the people is for the maintenance of peace.

The impression created in Government circles may be taken to be in accordance with the views expressed by the semi-official *Deutsch Diplomatische Politische Korrespondenz*, the correspondent of which declares that the British reply states the general principles set forth in Sir Samuel Hoare's recent speech to the League, and reiterates Bri-

tain's belief that the League is the proper instrument for the attainment of collective safety.

SIR S. HOARE'S STATEMENT

Sir Samuel Hoare then seized the opportunity offered to state the manner and extent of the obligations to this adherence to the principle of collective safety is considered to imply as far as England is concerned. A sharp distinction is drawn between the positive act of unprovoked attack and the negative act of non-fulfilment of treaty obligations.

This differentiation reveals clearly that the endeavour of the British policy is to avoid any mechanical juristic interpretation of the Covenant that would permit the disuse of the idea of collective security, but insists that each case arising and its special circumstances should be treated individually and its peculiar elements given due consideration.

THEORETICAL CASE
However, continues the *Deutsche Korrespondenz*, this line of reasoning is theoretical, and the fundamental way to the practical applications of its principles is beset with difficulty. For to ensure complete and unrestricted employment of the principles Sir Samuel Hoare enunciates it is necessary that all those involved should be ready in every case and under all circumstances to act in the sense indicated.

This, however, will never be the case, as long as those nations of Europe that dominate its affairs are only prepared to apply the principles when this would suit their own interests, but in all other cases to take refuge in sophistry.

PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

Germany herself has often enough experienced this very contradiction between theory and practice. The very acute case of Memel now engaging the attention of the whole world is an example proving that the fundamental adherence to the idea of collective safety will by itself achieve nothing.

Nevertheless that British statement of standpoint is so ambiguous that a response to the practice of absolute rigidity would only defend the letter of the Covenant, which has proved so injurious in Service.

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